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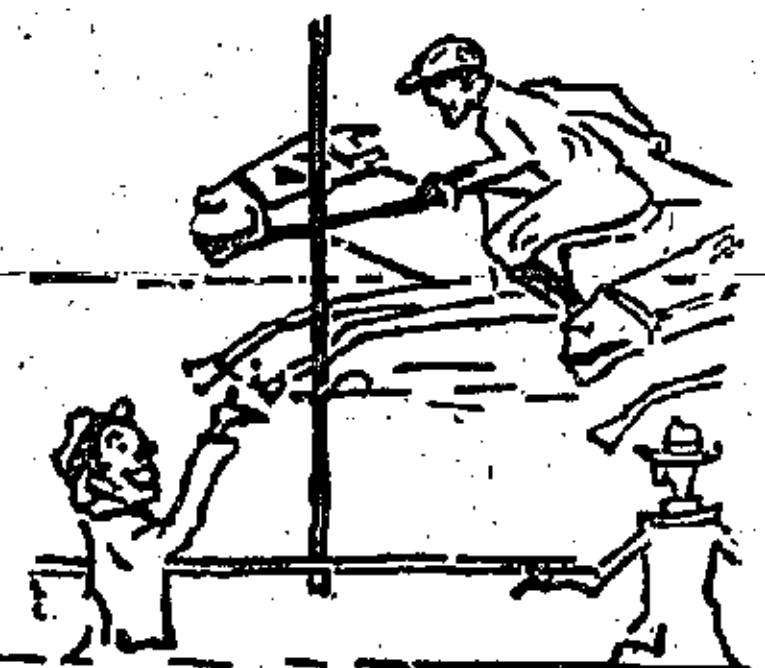
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Sunday:—Getting Well "Soaked" at Happy Valley.
Monday:—On which I attend a Princely Reception.
Tuesday:—Miss Hong Kong in All Her Glory.
Wednesday:—Digging Amongst the Winter Clothing.
Thursday:—A Moon Baby Tells Some Secrets.
Friday:—The Kind of "Pictures" That I Like.
Saturday:—About Rain—And More Races.

Yesterday, to the races, and what a miserable turn-out, thanks to the weather! Nothing seemed to go right. And most of the ponies we backed had something happen to them. Those we didn't, won easily. When the band played "God Save the King" to signalise "H.E.'s" departure, we thought we would go too, and went, being well "soaked." To bed early, with a bit of a chill.

HE WON EASILY.



Hot tea, rum, lemon and sugar, a reasonable amount of fussing, and to sleep, my last thoughts being thankful ones at not having to be abroad early in the morning.

To-day thickish about the head, so stayed at home until evening, the time passing easily, what with an amount of reading of Home papers, washing the pup, mending a door handle, and so on. Wife to church by herself, which did delay dinner and my stroll around the houses, so that it was raining again when I got out. Soon returned, feeling stuffy, and to bed. Took tea, rum, lemon, with sugar, of quinine ten grains in a little water and had an extra blanket put on my bed. Did sleep heavily though not refreshingly.

This morning of Revolutionary celebration did attend a conference which is a weekly duty and pleasure, bringing myself and others taken to have arrived at the period of discretion into intimate contact with the ramifications of administrative activity in this Colony of ours. Upon receiving official notification that my presence would be welcome, did opine, this being a holiday, that duty was to outweigh pleasure, for after all a holiday is a holiday. Such, however, was not the case, for fragrant weeds soothed weighty discussions and when it was all over Mr. Findlater ably seconded by Messrs. Huntley and Palmer imbued the parting with a becoming touch of friendliness and good humour in perfect keeping with the splendid sunshine and holiday spirit around us. Truly hath it been said that there existeth more ways of killing a cat than choking it with butter.

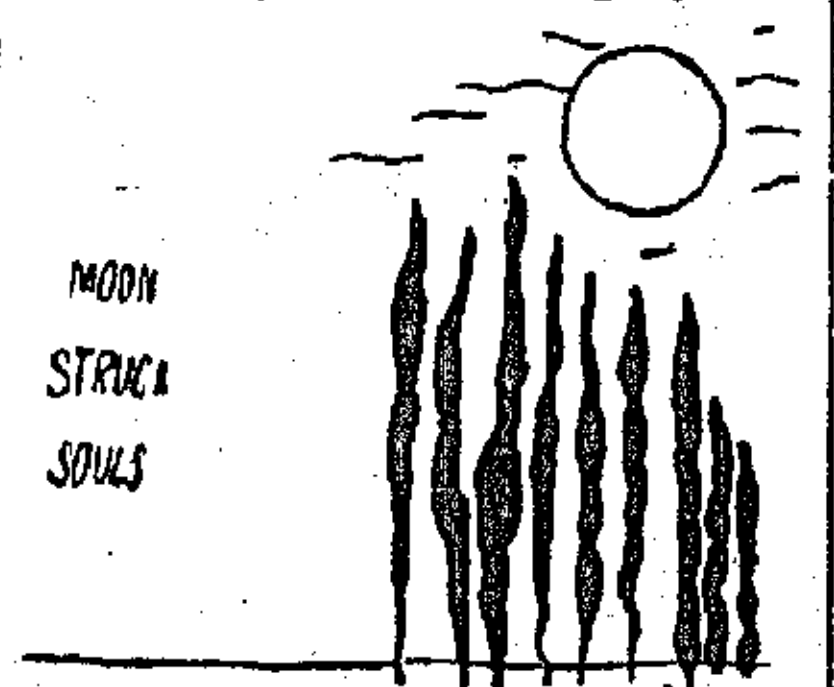
Yesterday a holiday, the Chinese celebrating, according to their wont, the anniversary of the Revolution. Was mightily impressed by the display of flags,



particularly on the Kowloon side, where there was a liberal number of Union Jacks. One Chinese shopkeeper in Nathan Road had the new Nationalist flag flying alongside the British emblem. Next door his compatriot had the five-bar insignia, also accompanied by the Union Jack. Between the two shops was one of those cigarette vendors who display their wares in and on a soap box. On the top of his "store," stuck in a packet of "Capstan," was a paper model of the tri-colour of France. Strictly neutral, you see. Most of the better class Chinese were in holiday attire, Miss Hong Kong looking particularly neat and dainty in her silken gown and bobbed and plastered hair.

The sudden change in the weather—it is quite chilly to-day—has caught us all napping, it seems. I know it sent me scampering to the big wardrobe in which repose the heavy articles of wear. They do not seem in bad fettle, thanks to regular weekly attention, and it was quite a pleasant sensation to stroke a thickish tweed coat which fairly exuded a scent of heather and conjured up visions of a nippy morning in the great out-of-doors. This time last year, I remember, I was well north, and we were thinking of our fur hats and fur lined coats, how much ice there was going to be on the river and how the skating carnivals would pan out. We don't get anything like that here, I know; still a Hong Kong winter can be pleasantly cool and satisfying after a trying summer.

I see we've missed that full moon again. It's pretty fulsome now, but officially it attained sheer rotundity two mornings ago at five o'clock. Perhaps it is as well, for much harm may come to you if that big yellow



cheese, when in this condition, is stared at over long. Especially if you are a moon baby. I am a moon baby so, personally, have to look at it sideways nowabouts. Otherwise—if I allowed that wonderful disc in all its glory to catch me fully in the eyes—I would, alas, join those moon-struck souls who wander the earth in complete despair seeking a way back to the perfectly peaceful yellowdom of their babyhood. Then would goblins chase me, and I would never be happy again. All through looking on the moon when it is full. Never.

A week of busy evenings has kept me from my regular visit to the cinema. I like to go to the "pictures" every now and then so as to keep in touch with what is being shown these days. To-night have promised to see Tom Moore in a piece called "The Song and Dance Man." These are the sort of pictures I like. No

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NO PEACE YET?

Peking Vision of a China Compromise.

HINGES ON THE NATIONALISTS.

Looking Far Into Dim Political Future.

(By "Li Chung-yin.")

Fengtien's representative who told Reuter this week that his Party anticipated a form of compromise embracing a truce—if not peace—for the whole of China, as the sequel to the anticipated defeat of General Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi, has looked very far into the dim future.

Peking's opinion was not exactly in the words given but such is the impression derived.

An era of compromise, if union cannot be effected, is highly desirable, but the wish may have been father to the thought.

Result Not in Doubt.

According to all precepts of modern warfare, Shansi's defeat is only a matter of time. Fengtien has now gained the ascendancy. The original retreat has been halted and the advance is progressing. Unless dissent breaks out in the Fengtien camp, or Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian general") can turn the tide of the war, the result cannot be in doubt.

If Shansi is crushed, there will be no buffer state between Fengtien's territory and the provinces of Honan and Shensi held by the "Christian general."

Very Capable Strategist.

Feng Yu-hsiang is a very capable strategist. More, he is recognised as a very shrewd politician. In his present position, he will be at a disadvantage. In a military, geographic and political sense, a campaign against his old-time rivals of Fengtien, who are now in power in Peking with an organisation known as the Ankuochun.

"I think the Ankuochun spokesman is right in predicting that the 'Christian general' will give up Honan province once Shansi is crushed. He may curl himself up in Shensi, biding his time, or he may even go further north-west (and, incidentally, nearer Mongolia and Russian help).

Resisted Temptation.

Fengtien's vision is that the "Christian general," as a factor in civil war, will have been removed. Without actual assistance from allies, of whom Yen Hsi-shan was a potential one, he has resisted the temptation of another fling at Peking.

If he wanted to fight, he would have struck when Chiang Kai-shek was literally knocking at the doors of Peking. Feng Yu-hsiang has been accepted as a leading light in the Nationalist Party. He has openly acknowledged the authority of Chiang Kai-shek as commander-in-chief and professed his willingness to serve under him.

Political Psychology.

That opportunity, a few months ago, was really good. Yet Feng Yu-hsiang preferred to remain in Honan, south of the Yellow River. The possibility of the Nationalist army marching at his side now is remote. And Yen Hsi-shan is in course of losing his position.

This brings me back to another point in the mystery of Chinese political psychology. Shansi soldiers who were taken prisoner to Peking are quoted as having complained bitterly that the "Christian general" let them down very badly.

The inference to be drawn was that the "Christian general" wanted to get Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi into trouble, inducing him "either by bribes or by persuasion" to launch an attack on Fengtien, promising his own immediate participation.

Nothing to Gain.

Feng Yu-hsiang has nothing to gain by Shansi's defeat, which strengthens the hands of his rivals, the Fengtien Party, all the more. It is in his interest to preserve the buffer state condition of Shansi.

He may have desired to use Yen Hsi-shan as a catspaw. Still, there was no advantage to him except that the wastages of war would put Fengtien back a certain extent.

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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 11/16

CHANGE THE FLAG!

Shansi's Feelers For Peace.

YEN HSI-SHAN DENOUNCED.

Snowfall Hampers Operations in The North.

As the first step towards peace, Shansi is willing to haul down the Nationalist flag (white "sun" on blue "jack" with "red ground"). The inference is that the Peking flag (red, yellow, blue, white and black bars) will go up again.

The foregoing is reported from Tientsin. A Chinese cable from Peking says that the provincial assembly of Shansi has denounced Yen Hsi-shan for losing the war with Fengtien.

Fengtien scout planes have surveyed the southern front and confirm the capture of Shihchia-

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chwang by the Shantung infantry and the Fengtien cavalry. Back Where He Began. Shihchiachwang was held by Shansi before the war started so that Yen Hsi-shan—who is stated to have returned to his capital, Taiyuan—is behind where he began.

Snow continues to fall in the northern sector hampering operations, but Fengtien claims advances on both sectors.

[Note: Shihchiachwang is at the junction of the Peking-Hankow Railway with the Shansi Railway. From Shihchiachwang, the line runs west to Taiyuan, crossing the Great Wall (which forms the provincial boundary here, at Nianzhuo).

Peking, to-day. The Ankuochun spokesman states that the Shansi army of 8,000 south of Paoingfu is likely to be practically annihilated. On the northern front the Shansi-ites are evacuating Kalgan. Meanwhile, two Shansi divisions, detailed to raid communications, have advanced within 20 miles off Peking.

Strong Mukden reinforcements have been despatched to deal with the menace, which the spokesman declared was not serious and would soon be liquidated as Mukden had ample reserves to suppress the raiders.—Reuter.

A NEW FRONT.

"White" Russians v. "Christian General."

Shanghai, Yesterday. Firing has been opened, on the provincial frontier, between the Shantung (pro-Fengtien) troops and Honan (the "Christian general's") troops.

General Chang Tsung-chang of Shantung is ordering his armoured trains, manned by about 2,000 "White" Russians, to proceed eastwards along the Lung-Hai Railway from Hsuehchow-fu to Tangshang, where the offensive against the "Christian general" will be launched.—"Kung Sheung Yat Po."

Ly Chung-lin.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The "Christian general's" most able lieutenant, General Lu Chung-lin, has ordered an advance from the north of Honan province eastwards, following the Lung-Hai Railway, into territory held by the Fengtien Party.

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FINE LATER ON.

The weather forecast and meteorological information issued by the Observatory this morning is as follows:

The Northern portion of the anticyclone has moved eastward leaving a separate anticyclone over China. Strong to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Forecast, Formosa Channel: North East winds, strong. Hong Kong and adjacent coast ports: North east winds, fresh, cloudy at first. Finer later.

LAWN BOWLS.

Shanghai Lose Against Civil Service.

"JOSS" ENTIRELY ABSENT.

Probable Teams For Interport Match To-day.

(By "Short Head.")

A very fine display of lawn bowls was witnessed by a fairly large crowd on the Civil Service Cricket Club green yesterday afternoon, when the locals won easily after a neck-to-neck struggle in the earlier stages.

The Civil Service were the first to draw blood with a three, but the visitors responded with a one and two. The Service got a couple of ones, and by doing likewise the visitors tied at five all. At the tenth head the local team led by 10-7 and at the 15th by 15-12.

After this the Shanghai team fell to pieces—or, to be more correct, their "joss" deserted them and the Civil Servants came away with fine dash and monopolised every succeeding head.

Result: C.S.C.C. Shanghai, Brierley, Aitkenhead, Malcolms, Borras, Grimmit, Pendered.

Heads.	(skip) 29	(skip) 12
1	3	0
2	3	1
3	3	2
4	1	4
5	1	5
6	5	1
7	5	1
8	3	5
9	8	2
10	2	10
11	10	1
12	4	14
13	1	15
14	15	1
15	15	3
16	5	20
17	2	22
18	1	22
19	1	24
20	1	25
21	4	25

Description of Play.

First head—Brierley was wide jack high and Oswald got a yard through. Brierley was a yard shy and Oswald was wide and steamy. Aitkenhead was a yard through, but Smith was narrow, after which Aitkenhead lay shot. Smith went right through, and Malcolms did likewise with a touch. Grimmit got a wick and rolled on to the jack. Malcolms was narrow and struck timber. Grimmit sent up one to lie almost second. Borras just missed the jack, but Pendered sent up second shot. Borras was unlucky in getting through an "impossible" port. Pendered drew a third shot—Three for Civil Service.

Second head—Oswald got jack high with good run, but Brierley was short and narrow after which Oswald played a fine second in front of the kitty. Brierley went through a yard, and Smith lay almost on the ditch. Aitkenhead got wooded, and Smith went up to lie third. Aitkenhead got timber, but lay third. Grimmit drew the shot, but Malcolms was narrow and through. Grimmit was very wide, and Malcolms had hard luck with a touch that refused to carry the jack. Pendered was over a yard short upon which Borras took the jack amid cheers and saved a bunch. Pendered was a trifle narrow and heavy—hard lines. Borras was shy—One shot for Shanghai.

A Splendid Toucher. Third head—Brierley rested just behind the jack on a full head, but Oswald was narrow, jack high. Brierley had a splendid toucher, but Oswald went in the ditch whilst Smith was likewise. Aitkenhead blocked the fore hand, and Smith was narrow. Malcolms was also narrow, but Grimmit got wooded—narrow. Malcolms drew on the jack, and Grimmit shifted the Shanghai woods, but the visitors still lay a couple. Borras blocked on the back hand, and Pendered got wooded. Borras again blocked, and Pendered was wooded again—Two for Shanghai.

Fourth head—Brierley was two yards through and Oswald was a foot short. Brierley got shot, and Oswald was a foot off narrow. Aitkenhead was narrow and steamy, whilst Smith bumped his own wood in for shot. Aitkenhead had hard lines—no change. Smith was narrow, whilst Malcolms was close up—hard lines. Grimmit lay second and Malcolms almost got shot. Grimmit put a good blocker in front of the jack. Borras was too

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IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

BY "THE MAILMAN."

These Chinese warlords cave men with colds. Now that we've got a change in the weather, all there's to grumble about is—the weather.

The Fengtien politician who predicts a compromise embracing the whole of China must have taken a peep through the crystal ball belonging to the gypsy in Gloria Swanson's last picture.

The pound sterling, divided into 1,000 parts, is to be the official coinage of Palestine trust them to get the most for their money.

The Shanghai bowlers haven't had a chance. Nobody told them to bring their bathing suits and woollen undies.

Talking of bowlers, Happy Valley, is just the place to lay 'em dead.

The man from Skye who borrowed a cutter and was setting sail for China when pulled up must have been feeling home sick.

Cure for Seasickness. Bolt your food down.

She was only a poor Kowloon telephone girl, but she kept plugging along.

Nobody wants the man who gives himself away.

Says Peter, if she can't get him, she tries to forget him—and can't.

According to Wednesday's "Telegraph," Miss MacLennan's record Channel swim for a lady of 13 hours and 10 minutes surprised even her mother. Its wonderful what these baby foods do nowadays.

Lives that used to hang by a thread now hang by an aspirin tablet.

A Hong Kong University publication complains that there are only 20 or so lady undergraduates to three hundred men. A local bookie sends a sporting offer of a hundred to one on the field.

Good Business. Marrying a girl with curly hair to avoid the permanent cost of the wave.

Says Peter, a girl may be bent on matrimony and still be perfectly straight.

The recent cold snap caught some of us underwears.

Biting off more than you can chew is almost as big a mistake as going hungry.

In the absence of the acting Governor, General Luard conducted the Legislative Council meeting. Case of "military law."

The champion absent-minded man was an aviator who jumped out of his aeroplane and forgot his parachute until he was half-way down.

Peter says it taxes his credulity that all this delay should be necessary in instituting a decent taxi service.

The bald-headed man's favourite suit is mohair.

The intense evaporation of our winter months mentioned by a "China Mail" writer is nothing to the concentrated absorption of our summer months.

The aggressive fellow who's always rising to the occasion never knows when to sit down.

Three Brown(e)s in a Green Tower was a feature of the Helena May concert the other night.

A dizzy blonde is one of that sort who usually refers to herself as "light complected."

Lots of the girls who are looking for careers on the stage would accomplish more if they would stick to the floor of the kitchen.

"Sea smells are cheap this morning," according to a local book of English and Chinese dialogues. They generally are hereabouts.

Says Peter, there is more nip in the air these days that what's in the bottle.

General Li Fook-lum has been called "the Yen Hsi-shan of Canton," "the immovable patriarch," and the lukong of Honam.—Why not "the brook," for short?

The Rainy Day Club was organised by women thirty years ago to agitate for shorter skirts. Few movements have met with more marked success.

One of the composers set "Nationalist" by intelligent anti-ipation, but he still swears by the Kuomintang.

Don't ask a pessimist how he feels. He may tell you.

The man with the hard luck story who told the Magistrate that he stole a blanket at Pokfulam because his wife was aggressive must have misconstrued an episode of Jiggs sneaking out of the house.

The trouble with the cup that cheers is that the cheer is mistaken for an encore.

Hong Kong Police have a D.C.I. a D.I.C., a C.D.I. and the C.I.D.—No wonder our law-breakers drink to their confusion.

Many a husband's favourite fiction is mystery stories. He tells them to his wife constantly.

Film directors will shortly be offering attractive terms for the appearance of an English lady who hasn't swum the Channel.

Diamonds are so hard that they will scratch any known metal, and just simply ruin a bank account.

A two years' old claim in respect of a Chinese dinner was made at the Summary Court this week. Waiting for the effects to wear off?

A woman will jilt a man and then find out she can't live without him as soon as she learns some other woman is about to get him.

If all the local vessels pirated this year were placed one on top of the other—the bottom one would look like a pancake.

Good complexions die young.

"Ooze to blame," said the ubiquitous youngster as he splashed his new shoes in the puddle.

"Man," declares an anti-feminist, "should be master in his own house, or know the reason why." Many married men know the reason why.

Other places may have had their reign of terror but Hong Kong has this week seen a reign of rain.

Family ties are just as strong in spite of the cold weather coming on. A look at the shop windows reminds one also of socks, woollen vests and a muffler.

Appropos of the cold one is reminded of the troops being snowed out at Kalgan.—Snuffed out is more appropriate though.

An abundance of flirting in the Colony this week can be attributed to the unsettled whether.

Chiang Kai-shek is to give up his tour and re-enter politics—consistent with the chops and changes of his married life.

When the painter fell from the side of the ship into the dock he went down with colours flying.

Women, as usual have shown the "first" sign of coming coldness.

It seems that all good things to eat are indigestible.

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NOTICE.**

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club Annex, on SATURDAY, 29th October, 1927, at 12.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th October, 1927.

MACAO RACES.**FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.**

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By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

NOTICE.**THE HONG KONG & CANTON
ICE MANUFACTURING
CO., LTD.****NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, 22nd Day of October, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th OCTOBER to the 22nd OCTOBER, 1927, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th October, 1927.

**HONG KONG TELEPHONE
COMPANY, LIMITED.****NOTICE OF INTERIM DIVIDEND.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Three per cent. (3%) on the nominal amount per share paid up (i.e., Thirty cents per share on the shares of the Company \$10 fully paid-up; and Seven-and-a-half cents per share on the shares \$2.50 paid-up), will be paid on MONDAY, the 17th day of October, 1927, in respect of the financial year to the 31st December, 1927, to the Members of the Company who are on the Register on SATURDAY, the 15th October, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th October, 1927, to SATURDAY, the 15th October, 1927, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
R. GUY WILKERSON,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, October 1, 1927.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

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By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Acting Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st October, 1927.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Debentures were drawn at the Pavilion on THURSDAY, the 13th day of October, 1927:—

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48	368	623
56	380	625
89	391	652
134	415	663
175	418	677
245	466	775
300	493	778
316	510	834
353	522	837

Holders of drawn Debentures who desire to be paid on the 31st October, 1927, are requested to inform the Treasurers, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, on or before Saturday, 29th October, 1927.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that the Debentures numbered as above, which are not cashed on the 31st October, 1927, will be paid on the 30th April, 1928, after which date they will cease to bear interest.

By Order of the Committee,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th October, 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MESSRS. RAVEN AND BASTO Architects, Surveyors and Engineers

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The Rev. Mother Superior wishes to announce that the sale of work held at the Institution on Thursday was quite a success, and that after deducting a few minor expenses, a substantial sum should be added to the funds, which will enable the Sisters to carry on their good work.

The Rev. Mother and Sisters wish to thank especially Mrs. Southern for kindly coming to open the sale, and also all the Ladies and their assistants who held the stalls, and whose untiring energy helped a great deal towards the success of the sale. They are also very grateful to all who visited the bazaar and made purchases during the day and to the following for various help:—Mr. FitzGibbon, Mr. Ribeiro, Mr. Baptista, the Dairy Farm, Lane, Crawford's, the Pharmacy, Messrs. Fletcher and Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., The Sincere Co., Wing On Co., Sun Co., Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co., Messrs. H. Wicking and Co., the Graeco-Egyptian Tobacco Co., Nestle Milk Co., the French Store, the Kwong Sang Hong, and Messrs. Whiteaway and Laidlaw.

All the raffles were drawn at the sale, and if possible, the various winning numbers will be published later.—Contributed.

OTHER FLIGHTS.**TO AUSTRALIA.**

London, Yesterday.
An Avro-Avian light aeroplane named "Red Rose" left Croydon for Australia carrying Captain W. N. Lancaster and Mrs. Keith Miller. It is following the route from Egypt along the Imperial Airways Line to India, and thence over Burma, Siam, the Dutch East Indies to Port Darwin.—Reuter.

German Attempt.

Lisbon, Yesterday.
The German aviators who are attempting to cross in a seaplane, and who were held up by foggy weather, have restarted for the Azores.—Reuter.

Horta, Yesterday.

The German Atlantic fliers have alighted in the harbour. All is well with them.—Reuter.

Bangkok Flight.

Aleppo, Yesterday.
Challe, on his way to Bangkok, has arrived here.—Reuter.

Paris, Yesterday.

Challe has arrived at Basra.—Reuter.

FOR THE TROOPS.**MRS. JENNER'S CONCERT AT
SHAMSHUPO.**

A concert under the auspices of Y.M.C.A. has been arranged by Mrs. F. J. Jenner and will take place on Tuesday, October 18, at Shamshupo. The following artistes have promised to assist:—Miss Doris Puncheon (soprano), Mrs. W. Robson (soprano), Mrs. F. J. Jenner (soprano), Lieut. Com. S. Bedells; Mr. Russell (tenor), Mr. F. White (baritone), Mr. Grenham (comedian), Mr. J. Laurence (violinist), Mr. E. Lane (magic and mystery), Mr. Palmer (duchman selections).

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CAME FROM MEXICO.**CHINESE GARDENER, AND
HIS PASSPORT.**

FALSE PRETENCES ALLEGED.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, a Chinese named So Keung who was stated to have lived a number of years in Mexico, was charged with obtaining \$180 from Mak Piu another Chinese by falsely representing that he was able to obtain a visa from the Mexican Consul on the complainant's passport.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. F. H. Loeby, while the accused was represented by Mr. Hing Shing Lo.

According to Mr. Loeby, the complainant had lived 15 years in Mexico and returned to China on a visit last year. He went to the country, and came back to Hong Kong a short time ago to take ship to return to Mexico. He visited the Mexican Consulate here on several occasions to obtain a visa to his passport, but for various reasons he was unable to see the Consul. Then one day the complainant met the accused, whom he had known in Mexico, and told him about the difficulty in getting a visa. The accused then told the complainant that he could obtain a visa for him if he paid the sum of \$180. The money and the complainant's passport were handed over to the accused on the following day, and the accused was not seen again until his arrest. The money and the passport have not been recovered.

Gardener in Mexico.

The complainant, who said that he was a gardener in Mexico, corroborated Mr. Loeby's statement. His passport was issued by the Chinese Consul in Mexico and he returned to China in the third moon last year. He arrived back in Hong Kong from the country (Holsan) on September 20 last to take ship back to Mexico. After visiting the Mexican Consulate several times, he met the accused at the Consulate on October 5, and in the conversation which followed, the accused said: "I can get your passport endorsed quickly, but the expense will be \$180," adding, "Another man would expect over \$200 for this service."

The witness met the accused by appointment on the ground floor of Alexandra Building on the following day (October 6) and handed his passport and \$180 over to the accused. After the accused had received the money and passport, he told the witness to wait while he went upstairs to the Mexican Consulate, which was situated on the top floor of Alexandra Building. Accused said that he would be back in a few minutes. After waiting for two hours, the witness went upstairs, but failed to find the accused at the Consulate. The next day he saw the accused at his lodging house and asked for his passport, but the accused denied that he had taken the witness's passport.

Blew a Whistle.

Proceeding, the witness said that he consulted a friend and then went to see his solicitor. He again saw the accused in Bird Street on October 10 and blowing a police whistle, he had the accused arrested.

By Mr. Lo: He had actually

seen the Consul on one of his visits to the Mexican Consulate, but the Consul was too busy to attend to him. The witness did not know that the fee for a visa was \$23.50. When he paid the \$180 to the accused he did not realise that he could have obtained the visa cheaper if he went personally to the Consulate. In fact, he had been informed that it would cost over \$200 to obtain a visa. When the accused took the money and the passport from witness he did not specify the length of time it would take to obtain a visa. The witness understood that it would not take long in view of the accused's promise to be back in a few minutes.

Consul's Evidence.

Interesting evidence was given by Mr. Pablo Castillo, Mexican Consul in Hong Kong. He said that he saw the complainant in his office last week. The accused came alone and asked for his passport. He told the witness must know about the passport as he had handed it and the money to somebody who had said that he could arrange for a visa for him. When the witness denied knowledge of the matter the complainant became very insolent so the witness had to "throw him out."

Preceding to explain, the pro-

cedure of granting visa to Chinese going to Mexico, the Consul said that he interviewed all passengers personally and alone, because he had heard a lot of rumour about people making money out of passport visa.

Asked about the accused, the Consul said that he came to him to apply for a visa on October 6 and the passport was handed back to him duly endorsed on October 8. The accused was supposed to have left for Mexico on board the s.s. "President Pierce." The official fee for a passport visa was \$23.50 Hong Kong money. On his visit to the Consulate, the accused never mentioned any other person's passport.

Preventing Speculation.

Answering a question by Mr. Loeby, the Consul said that all applicants for visa were invariably examined medically. This was because the regulation with regard to Chinese immigrants to Mexico were very strict.

By Mr. Lo: To prevent speculation in passports, the witness never returned passports to passengers but handed them over to the ship's purser, and the passport would not be handed back to the passenger until he reached San Francisco. All passports endorsed by the Foreign Office in Mexico City were valid for a period of two years from the date of the visa, and the witness had no authority to renew passports here.

Replying to another question, the Consul said that passengers should not experience any difficulty in obtaining a visa at the Consulate here provided the passport was in order. But, witness added, he frequently experienced difficulty with passports in which the date of the visa had been altered, and even the picture of the holder substituted, and had to reject many such irregular applications for visa.

The case was adjourned, until to-day.

CINEMA NOTES.**WHAT'S ON AT THE LOCAL
CINEMAS.****"THE BLACK PIRATE" COMING.**

Saturday finds the Colony's three principal cinemas each showing a picture of excellent standard, the Queen's Theatre offering "The Song and Dance Man," with Tom Moore and Bessie Love in a charming story of stage life; the World Theatre presenting Hoot Gibson in his latest Western comedy, "The Prairie King;" and the Star Theatre showing "The Air Mail," an exciting story with a strong cast led by Warner Baxter, Billie Dove, Mary Brian and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

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TO-MORROW'S GAZETTE.

Among the interesting events depicted in the topical gazette being screened at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow is the arrival at London of the world fliers Brock and Schlee after their trip across the Atlantic. Brock and Schlee, it will be remembered, visited Hong Kong, but found when they reached Japan that it would be impossible to complete the circuit of the globe, owing to the extremely bad conditions prevailing in the Pacific.

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ed in the forecabin. The vessel,
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diameter and 1,500 mm. stroke.The auxiliary equipment of the ves-
sel includes electric-hydraulic steer-
ing gear and oil cargo pumps of the
latest types, also an electric-driven
refrigerating machine. Mr. J. J.McKenzie, superintendent of the
British Tanker Co., Ltd., assisted
by Mr. R. McGregor, supervised the
construction of the vessel and ma-
chinery on behalf of the owners.Those present at the launch in-
cluded Sir Basil Kemball Cook,
K.C.M.G., C.B. (managing direc-
tor), Messrs. J. R. Robertson
(manager), J. J. McKenzie (super-
intendent) of the British Tanker
Co., Ltd.; Mr. John Muirhead
(director of Lithgows, Ltd.); Mr. A.Storer and Mr. G. E. Carter (of
Messrs. Kincaid).The launching ceremony was per-
formed by Mrs. Fraser, wife of Mr.
William Fraser (managing direc-
tor of Scottish Oils, Ltd.).

Some Leeway Made Up.

At a function which followed the
launching Mr. John Muirhead, ex-
tended a cordial welcome to the visitors.
He was particularly pleased to see
the London gentlemen, and the in-
terest they were taking in the con-
struction of their ships. The orderfor the British Valour had been fixed
two weeks before the start of the
coal dispute, and the vessel had
been held up for nine months, but
in spite of that long delay it was
expected to deliver the ship only
about five months late, so they had
made up some of the leeway.The British Tanker Company had
always kept to the forefront and
had been up-to-date in the con-
struction of their ships, and the
vessel which had been launched that
day was to be fitted with Diesel
engines of the most up-to-date type.When fitted she would be the first
of the British Tanker fleet to have
that method of propulsion. They
all felt sure she would be a suc-
cess, and he had no doubt her per-
formance would be looked forward
to with very great interest.He need not speak of the British Tan-
ker Company, its magnitude or its
ramifications, but they all knew
they were one of the largest ship-
owning firms in the world. Six
years ago Messrs. Lithgows, Ltd.,
had had the pleasure of building a
steamer for the British Tanker
Company, and her name was the
British Tommy, and it was rather
appropriate to his mind that the
British Valour should go with the
British Tommy.In recognition of the gracious
manner in which she had per-
formed the naming ceremony, he asked
Mrs. Fraser to accept a tortoise-
shell jewel casket as a souvenir.
He proposed the toast: "Success
to the British Valour and her Own-
ers."In acknowledging the gift, Mrs.
Fraser said she was sure they all
joined with her in wishing the Brit-
ish Valour the very best of luck.

Growing Fleet.

Responding to the toast, Sir Basil
Kemball Cook, said the launch was a
peculiarly interesting one, as the
vessel was the first of a series of
Diesel tankers which the British
Tanker Company had decided to
order. Last year in all 13 vessels
had been ordered, and three differ-
ent types of Diesel engines would
be installed. Accordingly the per-
formance of the vessels would be
of great interest. In that particu-
lar case, he had little doubt that
the British Valour would be a suc-
cess. The British Tommy, which
had come from that yard, had been
one of their most satisfactory ves-
sels, working day in and day out.The inclusion of the British
Valour would bring up the tonnage
of the British Tanker Company to
rather over 600,000 tons, and when
their present programme was com-
plete their tonnage would be 770,
000 tons. Those figures would
show how much the British Tanker
Company and its present company
were doing to encourage British
industry and British seafaring, as
the vessels were constructed
in Glasgow.Mr. W. Fraser proposed the
health of the builders and en-
gineers, and Mr. Muirhead and Mr.
A. Storer acknowledged. Comment-
ing on the magnitude of the Brit-
ish Tanker fleet, Mr. Muirhead
said he would draw attention to the
very small percentage of that ton-
nage Messrs. Lithgows had built,
but he had no doubt that when next
the company were giving out orders
they would see that one or two more
were placed at Port-Glasgow.

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New York through its magnificent
fairway and entrance channel with-
out being struck by the remarkable
endowments which nature has con-
ferred upon the locality. With a
naturally sheltered, easily-accessible
and commodious harbour, equalled
by few others, in conjunc-
tion with a moderate tidal
range and equable climatic
conditions, it is eminently suitable
for the huge volume of sea-borne
commerce which passes in and out
of its portals. One of the most
favourably situated ports in the
world, it is unquestionably the
greatest port on the American con-
tinent, and though standards of
comparison are various and conflict-
ing, it may justifiably be claimed
that, in all essential respects, New
York is foremost among the ports
of the two hemispheres.The jurisdiction of the port of
New York Authority covers an area
of 1,468 square miles, roughly com-
prised within a radial sweep of 25
miles round the Statue of Liberty
in the harbour; the boundary so de-
fined was drawn for the specific
purpose of enclosing all the prin-
cipal railway and waterside facili-
ties in the port.Accommodation for shipping is
provided at a long series of piers,
or jetties, projecting more or less
at right angles from the shore, or
bulkhead line, into the two main
waterways of the Hudson and East
Rivers as well as at certain coastal
recesses and frontages, such as
Newtown Creek, Gowanus Bay and
Canal, and Upper Bay. These piers
are very numerous; altogether,
they number 888 and, in addition
there are 66 ferry landing piers and
93 car float bridges, or pontoons.
All these projections impart a ser-
ried or comb-like appearance to the
river frontage.Following upon the resignation
of Sir Vincent Caillard from the
board of Vickers, Ltd., Sir Mark
Webster Jenkinson has been ap-
pointed financial controller of the
company.Sir Mark is already a director,
and was the accountant who con-
ducted three months of intensive
investigation into the affairs of
Vickers and its subsidiaries on be-
half of Mr. Reginald McKenna,
Sir William Plender, and Mr.
Dudley Docker, at a preliminary
to their trenchant report of De-
cember, 1925.Sir Mark was at the Ministry
of Munitions from 1915-1920,
where he was Controller of Fac-
tory and Audit Costs. After the
war he was Chief Liquidator of
Contracts. He has been a member
of a large number of Govern-
ment committees and commis-
sions. He has been vice-chairman
of Vickers' Finance Management
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A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

The opium question has been
again to the fore this week owing
to the publicity given to the de-
liberations of the advisory Com-
mittee of the League of Nations.
Bordering as it does the territory
of a nation which, despite the
efforts which have been made for
suppression, must be numbered as
amongst the world's greatest con-
sumers, and numbering amongst
its populations thousands who use
the drug, the opium problem is of
particular local importance. Hong
Kong has reason to recog-
nise the necessity for the imme-
diate ratification and rigid en-
forcement of the Geneva Conven-
tion of 1925, for which the League
of Nations is striving. In Hong
Kong and all possessions of the
British Empire where opium is
temporarily admitted, every trans-
action from import to individual
sales is under State service and
every person participating in its
disposal is a paid servant of the
State. In this manner, push sales
and encouragement to addictive
use are entirely removed, and if
it were possible to give adequate
protection from smuggled pro-
ducts from other countries, the
opium traffic here and in other
Possessions would be speedily
brought under complete control.

The problem would have been
well on the way to solution by now
had the signatories to the Geneva
Protocol of 1925 ratified it in the
same spirit as have the British
Empire and the Government of
India. Not only have stringent
measures been taken to suppress
smuggling direct from India but
legal exports from India to other
countries have been annually re-
duced and will within a certain
period be entirely extinguished.

It is significant that in his review
of the position in Hong Kong
during the past year the Superin-
tendent of Imports and Exports
reported that smuggling in Indian
opium is now practically non-
existent, which is more than can
be said for the products of certain
other countries who were signa-
tories of the Geneva Agreement.
Unfortunately, only three nations
are represented on the League of
Nations Council out of the neces-
sary seven to secure the enforce-
ment of the Convention hitherto
ratified. It is to be hoped that
the gravity of the position will be
realised and that States will take
steps to enable the League to cope
with the traffic more effectively.

In spite of the general feeling
against the continuation of fur-
ther attempted flights across the
Atlantic, particularly now what is
termed as the "close" season has
set in, yet another party has made
the attempt and met with disas-
ter, fortunately without atten-
dant loss of life owing to the pre-
sence of a Dutch oil tanker which
was able to render assistance.
Although it was obvious from
brief cabled reports over a month
ago that public opinion was fairly
unanimous as to the inadvisability
of flights on such a scale as were
being attempted, the strength of
such opinions could not be
gauged until the arrival of the
direct mail. From latest mail
reports it is plainly apparent that
the protests which were register-
ed against the running of un-
necessary risks represented a
very large section of the thinking
public. It is generally regarded
that to attempt to cross the At-
lantic by air in the present lim-
ited stage of aviation progress is
merely to tempt fortune and it
certainly appears time, in view of
the heavy death toll, to ask what
useful purpose is served by such
peculiarly hazardous flights and
whether they should be encourag-
ed any longer.

There are risks and risks
and it is a fairly obvious
principle of social conduct that
dangers should not be wantonly
faced. The perils of exploration
and of pioneering effort where
something substantial may be
gained to ease the path of those
who follow after are perils which
are well worth the risk taken by
the adventurous. But the condi-
tions on the Atlantic are such
that to effect its crossing by air is
not a matter of skill or courage
but to a large extent a matter of
luck. An anticyclone does not
often hold the air in its grip
and in any case the clash of
colder air at its fringes may

calculated to cause mist or storm at
any time. To cross the Atlantic
by aeroplane proves little more
than that it can be done. As the
"Manchester Guardian" remarks,
"as much can be proved as cross-
ing Niagara on a tight-rope." No-
body would find reasonable en-
couragement for experiments
upon the second feat. It may be a
display of cunning and of nerve,
but it is socially useless. Perhaps
the distinction between bravado
and bravery is that the former
serves no purpose while the latter
sets courage as a goal which is
worth winning.

ON THE TELEPHONE.

REMINISCENCES OF AN EXCHANGE OPERATOR.

SOME AMUSING CONFESSIONS.

[By "Number Please."]
Telephone operators (not those
in Hong Kong) could tell an amu-
sing story of their work, if they
could only be persuaded to
speak. I have tried "pumping"
several of them but they were
reticent. They would not confess
that on more than one occasion,
they had "listened in" when a young
lady was talking to her boy over
the phone.

Seeing the general public would
not get an insight into the working
of the exchange, I, who have been
an operator for the last 30 years,
will tell you some of the splendid
time I have had listening to young
couple's conversation. I can recall
many interesting "bits" picked up
through the ear-cap, but none would
be more interesting than the
following:—

A fellow named Jack called up a
girl named Jill, and this was the
conversation that ensued.

Jack: "Is that Jill?"

Jill: "Yes, that Jack?"

"Yep Did you notice any-
thing in last Saturday's papers?"

"You bet your life, Jackie"

"What struck you, Jill?"

"I'm quite positive it wasn't a
brick! REMEMBER TWELVE
NOVEMBER, and so on."

"But what's that all about?"

"Do you know?"

"No!"

"Well, I simply can't keep it any
longer! It's too selfish to keep it
to myself, because I want you to
have a good time also."

"But . . . what is it? Do shoot it
out, please . . . doooooo! I'm so
intrigued!"

"Listen—here goes! On the
twelve of November, the St. Peter's
Church Young Men's Club is hold-
ing a Garden Fete in the grounds
of the Club at No. 1, Oakland's
Path. Proceeds to go to Club
funds, Club Division of St. John
Ambulance Brigade, St. Peter's
Church Repair Fund and the Blind
Home in Kowloon . . . and . . ."

"Just a moment, Jackie. Are
you sure that it's the St. Peter's
Club that's organising this Fete?"

Talking Sense.

"As sure as you and I are born,
my dear girl! But—whassa
matter?"

"Nothing . . . only I was thinking
that since the St. Peter's Club's
treasures are always t-t-a-t-t, this
forthcoming Fete must certainly be
a most enjoyable affair."

"On some occasions you do really
talk sense, Jill, you know! But
don't get excited yet . . . that was
only the introduction! They are
having very many other attractions
in store for us too."

"Jackie US!"

"Well, I presume it'll be us, Jill.
Why, surely you'll come with me to
the Fete!"

"You're jolly lucky, Jack, 'cause
I'm such a sport! . . . Well, con-
tinue with the rest of the story."

"They are having Goldfish Ponds,
Aunt Sallies, Gifts from Paradise,
Football Competition, Toys Stall,
Sweets Stall, Flower Stall, Hoopla,
Rifle Range, Concerts, Punch and
Judy, etcetera, etcetera!"

Be Prepared.

"Any dancing?"

"Oh, yes! Gee, I nearly forgot
that! Sure, both in the afternoon
as well as the evening. So, Jill, be
prepared!"

"You had better be more pre-
pared than I, Jackie. Remember,
it's almost always the man that
pays!"

"Doesn't matter, Jill. I'll see
that we enjoy everything at the
Fete, even though I may have to
hock my suit!"

"Then, what are you going to
wear on that day?"

"Attend to your own business,
Jill! Well, cheerio, Jill, the boss is
ringing for me. See you to-night!"

"Thanks for parting with the
good news, Jackie. I'll tell
Auntie, so she can broadcast it at
her sewing circle. That's better
than the largest advertisement."
Cheerio, darling!

Two invisible amuses followed
and the line went dead.

TWO NEW BILLS.

AMENDMENT TO LOAN PROCEDURE.

MEDICAL BOARD CHANGE.

The drafts of two Bills are pub-
lished in the current "Gazette."

The object of the first—an Or-
dinance to amend the General Loan
and Inscribed Stock Ordinance,
1913, is to render it possible to dis-
continue contributions to the sink-
ing fund of any particular loan is-
sued under the provisions of that
Ordinance when the sinking fund
has become potentially full, i.e.,
when it is clear that the value of
the fund, with further accumula-
tions of interest, will be sufficient
to enable the loan to be redeemed
at the proper time.

The second Bill is an Ordinance
to amend the Medical Registration
Ordinance. Its main objects are as
follows: (a) to deal with the
powers and procedure of the Medi-
cal Board; (b) to deal with the ap-
peal to the Governor in Council;
(c) to transfer the medical regis-
ter from the Colonial Secretary to
the Principal Civil Medical Officer
and (d) to exempt the professors of
the Faculty of Medicine at the
University of Hong Kong from the
necessity of registration.

"ENSIGN-CADETS."

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If (writes Uncle Peter) you are
looking for an ideal present for a
youngster of either sex, you should
pay a call to Messrs. Whiteaway's
Store, chop-chop. For here, I see,
they have a supply of the "Ensign-
Cadet" cameras. I say go chop-
chop because that supply is not a
mighty large one, and when par-
ents and guardians realise what
wonderful bargains they are and
what splendid gifts for the children
they make, Messrs. Whiteaway's is
going to get sold right out.
Believe me.

In the first place, these "Ensign-
Cadets" are cheap. They are being
sold at \$3.95 each. That doesn't
mean to say that they're no good
or anything like that. They are
eminently practical cameras, and
will take fine photographs. I've
tried one, so I know.

They are just the thing for the
boy or girl, or young man or young
woman who is just starting-in as
an amateur photographer. The
"Ensign-Cadet" gives you some-
thing to practise with, and
all the time gives you decent
pictures, and the prints can be en-
larged, too.

In the second place, they're so
simple to work and are construct-
ed on the box principle. On hand-
ling one, just six things on the box-
like exterior strike your eye.
These are all the parts you have to
trouble about, and if you follow the
instructions in the little Red Book
which goes with every camera, you
can't go wrong. The parts are:—

a. Lens.

b. Direct Vision View Finder.

c. Time Exposure Indicator.

d. Exposure Lever.

e. Winder Key.

f. Catch Fastening Door.

Not very formidable, eh? Well,
having observed these six points
and read the instructions, you can
go right ahead and take photos,
using the Ensign Speed Film which
Messrs. Whiteaways also stock.

The "Ensign-Cadets" have other
admirable qualities. The above,
however, gives you a general idea
of their usefulness and appropri-
ateness as gifts for camera-learners,
and if you are interested, go along
to the Store and have one demon-
strated to you without obligation.

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ish, both the cameras and the
films. And you know what that
stands for. The makers are
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RIGGS' DISEASE.

CONCERNING PYORRHEA ALVEOLARIS.

[BY A DENTIST.]

Pyorrhea is an inflammation of
the dental periostium (mem-
branous tissue surrounding the
bone) and the structures in
which the teeth are imbed-
ded, developing pus, and pro-
gressing to the decay of the tooth
processes, and the final loosening
and loss of the teeth.

It is calculated that ninety out
of every hundred people in the
world have pyorrhea or conditions
which, if untreated, might lead to
pyorrhea—which makes this dis-
ease one of the most insidious of
all human ailments. It is found
even among savages, notwithstand-
ing the generally held opinion to the
contrary.

Pyorrhea is of slow onset. So
slow is it that a patient may have
it for years and be unaware of his
condition until a dentist tells him
of it. On the other hand, it is a
sleeping volcano, liable to break
out at any time. Suddenly, some-
day the gums begin to swell and
the volcano breaks forth with an
alveolar abscess. You will find
that in the incipient stage the
patient stops brushing his teeth
because the gums are painful and
bleed. In the latter stages you will
find exudation of pus, and the teeth
becoming loose.

In advanced cases they become
so loose in the sockets that some-
times they may be rocked back and
forth, or even plucked out with the
fingers.

A Poison Factory.

Remember always that the pres-
sure of mastication squeezes the
accumulated pus around the gum
margins and the roots of the teeth,
where it mixes with the food,
and is swallowed. The pyorrheic
patient thus becomes a self-feed-
ing, self-sustaining poison factory—
constantly busy manufacturing
fresh supplies of pus. These are
absorbed into the circulation, or
carried into the digestive and re-
spiratory tracts—there to take ad-
vantage of any lowered resistance
to start the particular kinds of
mischiefs best adapted to their germ
nature.

The patient may exhibit the
symptoms of various other diseases
connected with the eye, nose,
throat, heart, or kidney etc., which
may be traced to mouth infection
from pyorrhea.

The duration of pyorrhea is very
uncertain. The incipient form so
called gingivitis, may run along
many years before developing into
the more severe types. When an
infection of long-standing does be-
gin to make inroads into deeper
structure, the progress of the dis-
ease is very rapid. There are
many factors as to health, local
mouth conditions and character of
infection or inflammation which
affect the duration.

Common To All Races.

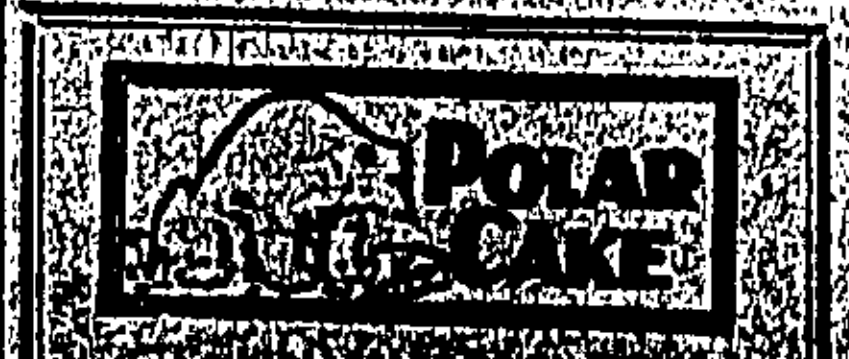
Dr. Younger has written that
"fully ninety per cent. of the
Anglo-Saxon race have pyorrhea in
some stage of development in one
or more of the alveoli (the sockets
of the teeth). It is common among
all races in all countries, and among
all classes. The rich and the poor,
the well conditioned and the mean,
the vegetarian and the meat eater,
the bibulous and the abstemious,
the fat and the lean, the robust
and the debilitated, the strong and
the weak are all affected. Neither
does temperament seem to produce
immunity, for the nervous, the
sanguine, and the phlegmatic suffer
from it."

Dr. J. J. Sarrazin in "Items of
Interest" for March 1915, reports a
case which ended fatally. In
writing he says "this is the first
certificate of death issued in this
country (U.S.A.) possibly in the
world where the original infection
from Riggs' pockets was recognis-
ed as the primary lesion eventually
causing death."

There are many, of course, who
contend that pyorrhea is of sys-
temic origin—arising in some de-
praved state of the metabolism, or
from the presence of rachitis dur-
ing childhood, or to tuberculosis,
syphilis, diabetes, Bright's or
diminished alkalinity of the blood.
All these conditions, in a way, do
influence the development of
pyorrhea. But they are not direct
causative factors.

Pyorrhea affects the teeth of
man as well as those of certain
domesticated animals, such as dogs
and cats, which live as pets under
our roofs.

—M—



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CHANGE THE FLAG!

(Continued from Page 1.)

Their objective is Haichow-fu, where the Lung-Hai Railway joins the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Actually in Contact.

The vanguards of the advancing forces have actually come into contact with Shantung troops and General Chu Yu-pu of the Fengtien army, is directing operations against the "Christian general."

Haichow-fu is in the north of Kiangsu province. Its defence is in the hands of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, who is an ally of Fengtien.

Lu Chung-lin held Peking for some time last year until ousted by Fengtien.

NOT OBEYED.

Nanking's Order for Advance Northwards.

Nanking, Yesterday.

Comprising young soldiers who are badly equipped, the 19th Nationalist Army which was ordered a few days ago by the supreme War Council at Nanking to advance northwards along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway to Pengpu (150 miles from the north bank of the Yangtze) is reliably reported to have disobeyed.

The main strength of the 19th Army is at Chuchow which is about 40 miles from the north bank of the Yangtze.

Railway Torn Up.

Advance guards face the Northern outposts (under Marshal Sun Chuan-fang) at Mingkwang, which is about 90 miles from the north bank of the Yangtze.

North of Chuchow (i.e., between Chuchow and Mingkwang), the 19th Army has torn up a considerable length of the railway instead of moving on along the 100 miles or so to Pengpu.

Dr. C. C. Wu (Foreign Minister) and Mr. Sun Fo (Finance Minister) have returned here—British Naval Wireless.

Peace Hopes Rise.

Politicians who have taken on themselves the duties of intermediaries between the major factions of the Nationalist Party are still moving about between Hankow, Nanking and Shanghai, and (according to Chinese cables) issue highly favourable reports.

A good deal depends on the attitude of General Tang Seng-chi, the commander-in-chief of the Wu-Han armies, who is opposed to the new administration at Nanking and who has not shown any sympathy towards reconciliation.

Opinion in Shanghai is that General Tang Seng-chi stipulates his appointment as chief of all the Nationalist armies—tantamount to stepping into the position and powers vacated by Chiang Kai-shek—in return for his support to the new government.

Diehards Give Way.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, hitherto chairman of the Kuomintang and the recognised leader of the Wu-Han politicians, has shown a change of attitude. He resigned just before the peace conference opened in Nanking last month but the peace-makers have evidently persuaded him to return to active politics.

The diehards of the Nanking faction, and their new allies of the Shanghai faction, are conceding ground. Councils, committees and other bodies previously in existence in the Nationalist machinery of government are to be restored.

Next Grand Convention.

In effect, the basis of agreement is that a grand convention will be called for January 1, 1928, while the present functionaries will remain in office till then.

On the surface, it appears as if the rival politicians have sunk their differences. It now remains to be seen whether they have the goodwill of the various leading generals. A ministry of all the talents, without the co-operation of the army, will not be able to achieve much for the Chinese Nationalist cause.

What the Chinese Say.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Chinese official telegrams from Hankow announce that Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr. Sun Fo, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and General Tang Seng-chi have made efforts to unify the Kuomintang and reached a compromise agreement, whereby Mr. Wang Ching-wei and General Tang Seng-chi will recognise the legality of the Central Special Committee appointed at Nanking last month, pending restoration of the Central Executive Council and the Standing Committee with authority, responsibility and scope properly defined.

Rift in the Lute.

It is understood that the Supervisory Committee will again be placed in charge of the duty of maintaining discipline in the

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thing highbrow, regarding film-like, about me. Best of all I like a sporting story on the screen, about boxing, or racing, or anything like that. Next best, I like a comedy, the sillier the better. Dramas, sex-plays and scenes of half-clad women wriggling in love throes leave me cold. I suppose, cinematographically, I've been spoiled. It was my lot some few years ago to work on a Gerrard Street film paper as a critic. Trips around the few English studios there were in those days were enjoyable, but my major duties were to review pictures, some six months before their general release, for the benefit of potential hirers. Some days I would sit through four or five "masterpieces" of six reels each, in a comparatively empty London cinema theatre, or private view room, without orchestra or soft lights or any of the usual trappings, surrounded by hard headed buyers and members of the "Trade." This job kind of took the edge off film-enjoyment for me, though it taught me something about the business and, withal, provided bread and butter and bus fares.

We have, according Saturday, to Mr. Claxton, had a hundred inches of rain this year. I well believe it. Yet, grumbling apart, one hundred inches is a mighty lot, and we need every drop of it, judging from the wall from the Peak a couple of months or so ago when rations were shortened a little. Still, some people are never satisfied.



Only a few days ago there was a writer in one of the papers, gravely informing us that good showers, so long as they come during the midweek in the small hours of the morning, were to be welcomed. The remoulding of "this sorry scheme of things" nearer to his heart's desire would surely take this critic a very long time, though it is too bad that an occasional golfing Sunday, say, or an afternoon's stroll, should be spoiled by a shower of rain.

May go to the Macao Races tomorrow if the wife feels like it and there is any money left about the house after last week-end's Happy Valley flutter. The journey is a worth-while one if only for the sea trip and the fact that it takes you away from this tight little island for a few hours. And there's a chance of winning something, if not on the course then in the fan-tan shops. Will think it over.

—H. C.

ranks of the Government and the Party. It is noteworthy, however that reports from other sources say that General Tang Seng-chi retains complete control of the administration in his sphere of influence.—Reuter.

Foochow Trouble.

Shanghai, Yesterday. It is authentically reported that over forty soldiers and two civilians were killed in Thursday's fighting in the streets of Foochow between Tang Hsu-hsiang's troops and the 11th Nationalist Army.

The capture of Foochow by the 11th Army, the majority of whom are Fukienses, when it was thought the army was in Anhui, surprised those who are well-informed, who believe the move is a part of the plans of Chiang Kai-shek and General Ho Ying-ching to strengthen their position in Chekiang and Fukien.

Seething Undercurrents.

Having skillfully disarmed the 27th Army who have hitherto maintained their old northern cadres and who were planning to sack Nanking, the Nanking Government has ordered the 26th Army (formerly Chow Feng-chi's) across the Yangtze, desiring, it is believed, to remove it outside General Ho Ying-ching's sphere of influence.

The Nanking Government has placed the two armies in Nanking, the 16th and the 18th, under the command of the notorious Ching Chien. The foregoing somewhat explains the seething undercurrents south of the Yangtze.—Reuter.

NO PEACE YET?

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I think it will be conceded that Feng Yu-hsiang did not want Yen Hsi-shan to declare war on Fengtien until he was ready to join himself, with the odds on his side. Premature action, although costing himself nothing, would only be playing into the hands of his opponents.

Who is There Left?

To revert to Fengtien's suggestion that compromise is likely. It must then be presumed that the "Christian general" does confine himself to the north-west of China Proper. Fengtien then holds Manchuria and the north-centre of China Proper including the northern maritime provinces.

Who is there left to engage in civil war?

The Nationalists are in the "middle" of China, along the Yangtze River valley, between Fengtien's holding and the south. Around the mouth of the Yangtze, the Nanking faction is in power, holding Shanghai, Nanking and adjacent provinces.

Autonomy, if Not Independence. General Tang Seng-chi is commander-in-chief of another group of Nationalist armies occupying the middle course of the Yangtze and the rich land on both sides. For the sake of convenience, I shall treat Tang Seng-chi as representing the Wu-Han faction of the Nationalist Party.

In the extreme south and further inland, there are a number of provinces, with autonomy if not absolute independence.

As the sequel of former developments, or to enhance the prestige of generals, some of these "outside" provinces profess allegiance to the Nationalists or somebody else.

"Nationalist" in Outlook.

Fukien is under the influence of General Ho Ying-ching, the right hand man of Chiang Kai-shek, and now one of the senior generals in the Nanking faction. Kwangtung and Kwangsi are working more or less smoothly in an alliance, still "Nationalist" in outlook but autonomous at heart.

Yunnan, Szechuan and Kweichow are further afield. Each has its internal disturbances and they are too far away to be conquered or to attack neighbouring provinces. Yunnan and Kweichow are also claimed as Nationalist. Szechuan is grievously divided, with one or two generals sympathetic to Marshal Wu Peifu, who is now a mere figure receding into the background of the Chinese welter.

One Favourable Feature.

At least one feature of Fengtien's vision of an all-round compromise is favourable. I take it that the Ankuochun will be content to remain in the North, leaving Central China alone if they are not attacked.

Previous adventures by Fengtien warlords south of the Yellow River have been disastrous. Profiting by experience, they may keep out.

But will Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, always bent on seeking power, be satisfied?

He "took" Shanghai about two years ago by pushing the Fengtien garrison out. Then he was routed by the Nationalists. He counter-attacked and reached the north bank of the Yangtze again.

Vital Decisions.

The prize of Shanghai dangled before his eyes and he attempted to re-cross the Yangtze. That effort was fatal and he is now hovering in the extreme north of Kiangsu province—with a fraction of what he once held and a sphere with which he will not be satisfied.

Elsewhere in to-day's "China Mail" is a report that the prospects of Nationalist reconciliation are again rising.

If the Nationalist Party was not divided against itself, it would hold just as much ground as the Fengtien Party. Vital decisions hinge on the possibility of Nationalist re-union. The man with the most say in this is General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow who has all along been willing to sacrifice Nationalist unity to further his own designs.

For Better or for Worse.

The South prefers aloofness but it may be influenced by changes elsewhere, or even from within.

For better or for worse, the situation in China generally will depend on whether the Nationalists can get moving again, their programme being to drive out the so-called militarists. If they stay within their present confines, or the Party is disrupted, the leading warlords will be able to rest awhile with the most important parts of China thankful for a respite which is more the result of circumstances than of design.

But Fengtien will have to go ahead and subjugate General Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi first.

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New York, Yesterday.

Karel Capek's dream "Robot" or mechanical man seems within measurable distance of realisation.

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One of these "men" is so constructed that at a cry of "open sesame" it opened a door. Another lit a series of lights and started a electric fan, turned out a searchlight, operated an automatic sweeper, and started a signal lamp.

At present there only three electrical "men" who are already working at their duties.

They are to keep a check on the reservoirs connected with the Washington water supply and report the number of feet of water in the reservoir when they are rung up from the water supply headquarters.

The height of water in the reservoir regulates the instruments so that at a telephonic request for information the machine utters its characteristic note a number of times corresponding with the height of the water.—Reuter's American Service.

EX-SOVIET POLICE.

ARRESTS BY LATVIAN AUTHORITIES.

Riga, Yesterday.

The Latvian authorities have arrested 23 persons, mostly Latvian railway officials and frontier guards, on a charge of supplying the Bolsheviks with military information.

The police have received documentary proofs and a full list of names of the Soviet secret police agent, who re-joined the Republic. The majority of the arrested men admitted they were employed by the Soviet secret police for a considerable time.—Reuter.

VETERINARY NEEDS.

ORGANISATION IN THE COLONIES.

The Colonial Secretary has appointed a committee to enquire into the organisation and efficiency of the Colonial Veterinary Services and make suggestions for increased efficiency in regard to research and administration in non-self-governing dependencies as financial considerations permit.

The chairman is Lord Lovat and members include Mr. Ormsby Gore, Sir Arnold Theiler and Professor R. T. Leiper.—Reuter.

MINISTER SHOT.

ALBANIAN STUDENT'S ACT.

Prague, Yesterday.

A young man shot dead M. Cenabeg, the Albanian Minister at Belgrade, who was newly appointed Minister at Prague. The assailant fired at Cenabeg in a hotel where the Minister was living. Cenabeg died en route to hospital.

The murderer is a student named Agivladhebi, 23, a native of Elbasan. He said his action was due to Cenabeg desiring to hand over Albania to Jugo-Slavia.—Reuter.

PARIS TO BRAZIL.

ANOTHER ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

Dakars, W. Africa, Yesterday. Captain Costes and Lieutenant Lebris, who are flying from Paris to Buenos Aires, took off from St. Louis in their aeroplane, the "Nungesser-Coli," to cross the Atlantic in a non-stop to Fort Natal, Brazil, from thence to Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires.—Reuter.

CHURCH NOTICES.

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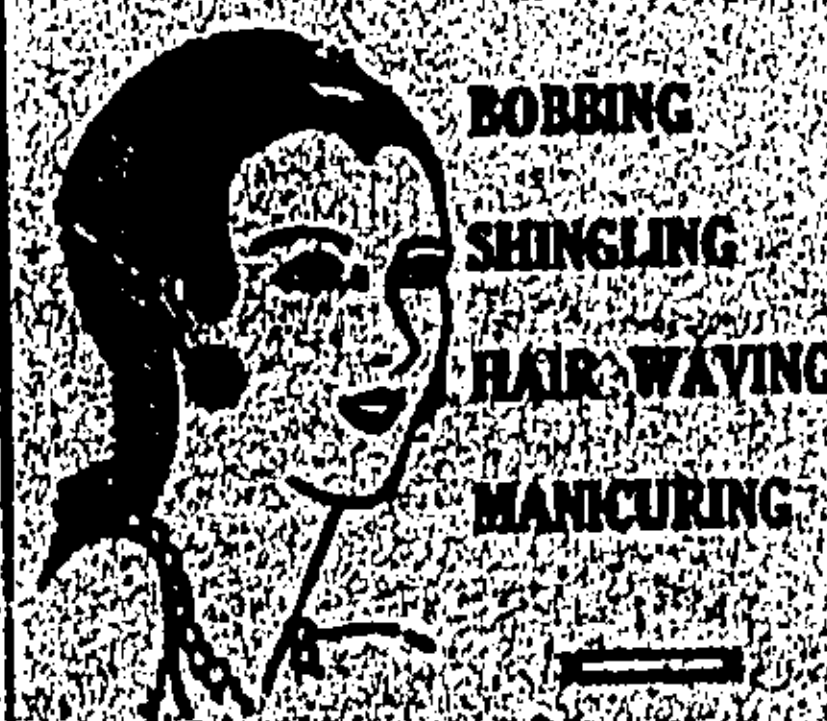
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MOTORING SECTION

CAR LUBRICATION.

WHAT IS CORRECT FOR
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From the Vacuum Oil Co., Hong Kong we have received a copy of a booklet, "Correct Lubrication for Motor Cycles and Cycle Cars" that is full of most useful information. We quote the introductory chapter:—

One half of the money spent on repairs is wasted. Why? Because that half might have been saved by correct lubrication.

The seized piston or bearing, and the consequent expense of getting home, the days of service lost—all may be the result of incorrect lubrication.

What is incorrect lubrication? Using oils of poor quality or of the wrong body for the machine, failing to provide sufficient oil, or to clean out the crank case regularly. Each of these leads to rapid wear, heavy depreciation, repairs, and increased cost of operation.

Suppose at the end of each year you reckon up the cost of running your machine.

You will find that your bill for lubrication is the smallest sum involved in the total operating expenses. Yet the rate of depreciation, the economy in fuel and oil consumption, and the amount of your repair bill depend on this small lubrication item.

Suppose you try to economize by purchasing a low-priced oil. What happens?

You save, perhaps, 10s. on your year's bill for lubrication, but in some impromptu race, or on a long steep hill, the low-priced oil fails to stand the test of service and your engine seizes up.

Perhaps you were not so unfortunate. Your oil may seem to be working all right. But in the meantime relentless friction is taking its toll from your engine, and is wearing away the bearing surfaces. Soon, much sooner than you have a right to expect, a knock develops and repairs are necessary.

What do these repairs cost? Seldom less than the price of a year's supply of the best oil obtainable.

Under the heat of service the incorrect oil thins out excessively and fails to seal the piston rings. What is the result?

Some of the compressed gases leak past the rings; some of the exploded gases blow past the pistons. The oil is rapidly consumed and you wonder why your fuel mileage is falling off, and why you use so much oil.

Insurance. Is it really worth while to run the risk of losing the service of your machine when you may need it most? Is it worth while risking the expense of repairs and the probability of increased fuel bills—all for the sake of trying to save a little on the cost of your lubricants, only to find, after all, that increased oil consumption has eaten up the saving you had expected to make, and the lower-priced oil has substantially reduced the second-hand value of your machine?

Correct lubrication is simply insurance against these troubles. With the correct lubricant in your engine, the oil takes the wear, and the metal is saved. The machine depreciates slowly, and, excluding accidents or neglect, repairs and renewals become necessary only after a prolonged period of satisfactory service.

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CLOSED TYPES.

DEMAND FOR SEDANS
INCREASES.

Simultaneously with the report of H. O. Smith, chief of the automotive department of the Department of Commerce, which revealed that the number of motor vehicles in use outside the United States has more than doubled during the last four years, comes an official report from the export department of the Auburn Automotive Company, indicating a noticeable change in European buying trend.

For years America exported the bulk of her touring and open motor cars to Europe and the demand from the overseas buying field was strong. Few closed cars were sold in comparison with open models, although many foreign made cars enjoyed healthy sales in the closed car group.

This year, however, according to actual sales figures from the Auburn company, has brought about an abrupt change in the buying trend. It is bent decidedly toward closed models.

In January, 1926, the Auburn company alone shipped only twelve closed cars to the foreign market, while the shipment for the same period in the open models was up to standard.

The initial month of the current year called for a shipment of more than 125 closed models for the overseas trade, while orders which followed show a substantial and encouraging demand for the closed type motor car.

Smith, in his report, points out that taxes, purchase cost, poor roads, labour conditions, and a limited utility use for motor cars have severely hampered the demand in the foreign market.

It is the opinion of E. J. Cord, president of the Auburn company, that many of those obstacles are rapidly being overcome and he points to the unusual increase in export shipment to substantiate his theory.

STATIC ELECTRICITY.

REMARKABLE PHENOMENA.

"Definite evidence has been obtained from time to time that a car can become charged with static electricity, which may be non-technically defined as 'electricity at rest.' To the scientist the condition is a specially interesting one, and it is certain that much has yet to be found out concerning this remarkable phenomena. At the outset it should be made clear that the static electrification of a car has nothing to do with the electrical equipment or its operation. A circumstance which accounts for much is the fact that a car is electrically insulated from the earth by its rubber tyres, provided these are in a dry state. A recent instance, which is vouched for by the "Motor" England, is that of a car becoming so highly electrically charged by brake friction as to cause a very smart shock accompanied by a snapping spark on touching the brake drum. Here is an interesting instance of the conservation of mechanical energy by friction between metal and fabric into a powerful static charge, and it is probably a very frequent condition in the ordinary everyday use of a car. Some few years ago a large car was destroyed by fire when filling up with petrol. The owner stated that he saw a

Mysterious Spark.

jump across the tank opening to the funnel when filling up, and this caused ignition of the petrol. Only a static charge could account for it. Another remarkable fact is that such phenomena may easily arise from atmospheric electricity. It is a well-known fact that the atmosphere, even at no greater height than an ordinary wireless aerial, is at times so highly charged with static electricity as to cause

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"This is evidence of the fact that it is Dodge Bros.' intention to meet the ever-increasing demand for the four-cylinder car, while at the same time they are producing a six-cylinder car to meet the demand for a larger and more luxurious car. The car will be known as Dodge Bros. Senior."

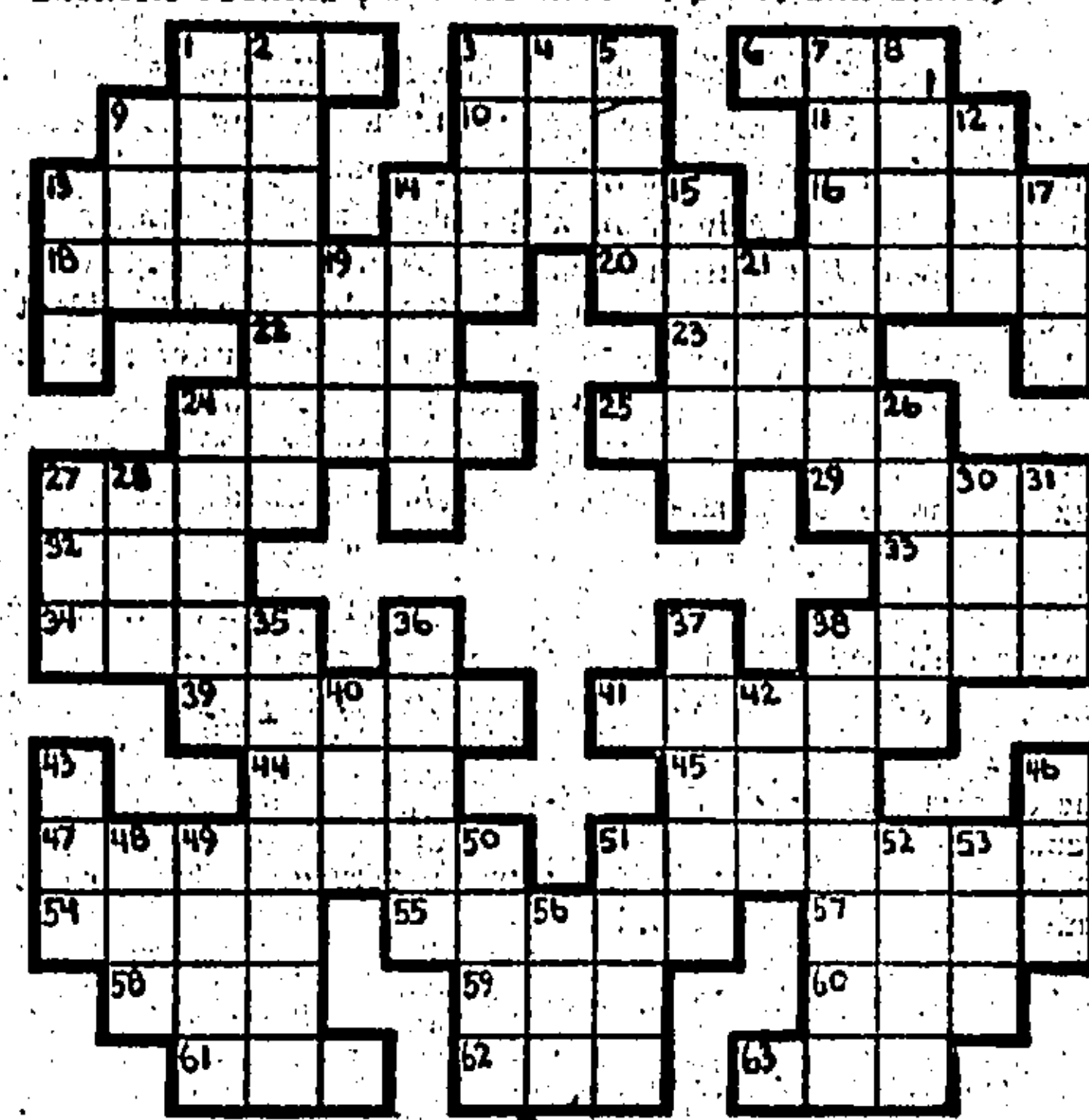
THE SCOOTER TWO-SEATER.

This season the scooter has developed into a playing for two children by the inclusion of a carrier (says the "Manchester Guardian"). In one of the new models there is a seat, like a little armchair, over the front wheel. This seat has a foot-rest and looks perfectly safe. Another new scooter has the seat at the back of the steering wheel, so that the passenger is facing the driver when seated. At best, a seat on a scooter must be somewhat precarious, although the wheels are so small and the footboard so near to the ground that there is not much fear of a fall. Some of the newer scooters are made entirely of steel, with little disc wheels and thick rubber tyres. They are painted in bright colours and are really cheap. Other models are more expensive, and the carrier which turns the scooter into a two-seater is an extra for which a small additional charge is made.

sparks and shocks on touching the terminals of a crystal set. The inference is that a large metal mass, such as a car, must necessarily often become charged by induction from an electrical atmosphere, and even to so high a potential in a dry atmosphere as to give rise to sparks and severe shocks. So far as the petrol fire risk is concerned, if such conditions arise, the only real precaution is to "earth" the tank thoroughly by means of a wire connecting it to a water pipe or other well-earthed metal object, and thereby the static electricity before any petrol is poured in.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, ploio, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-An eye infection
- 2-Possessive
- 3-Pronoun
- 4-Pronoun
- 5-Period of time
- 11-At this time
- 12-Observed
- 14-End
- 16-A flat plate-like substance
- 18-One who sells from house to house
- 20-Get rid of
- 22-A torn cloth
- 23-Street (Fr.)
- 24-Made from tobacco
- 25-Seat
- 27-The point aimed at
- 28-Cover (pl.)
- 32-A diving bird
- 33-By way of
- 34-Brought up
- 35-Transmit
- 39-A large drain
- 41-To trick
- 44-An implement to produce air
- 46-A sunken track

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 47-To incite to anger
- 51-Palaces
- 54-Used for storing grain
- 55-Praise
- 57-Not to be found
- 58-Used for lighting and heating
- 60-Boy's name
- 61-Precious stone
- 62-X
- 63-Strange

VERTICAL

- 1-To take off
- 2-An organ of a plant
- 3-Successor
- 4-Part of the body
- 5-Book
- 7-Examine
- 8-Performed by one
- 9-Look
- 12-Part of verb "to be"
- 13-To watch secretly
- 14-Partaining to law
- 15-Fatigue
- 17-Rising place

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 19-Leiter
- 21-Source of light (pl.)
- 24-A sweetened dough
- 26-To linger about
- 27-To talk incessantly
- 28-Possessive pronoun
- 30-Fasten
- 31-Sorrowful
- 32-Protection
- 33-Thick
- 37-Weight of a jewel
- 38-Arranged
- 40-Pale
- 42-Secretion from inflamed tissues
- 43-Cloth worn under chin at meals
- 46-Summit, one who
- 48-An old horse
- 49-A jutting rock
- 50-Outlet
- 51-Tribe
- 52-Cargo
- 53-A suffix denoting superlative degree
- 56-Part of verb "to be"

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES.

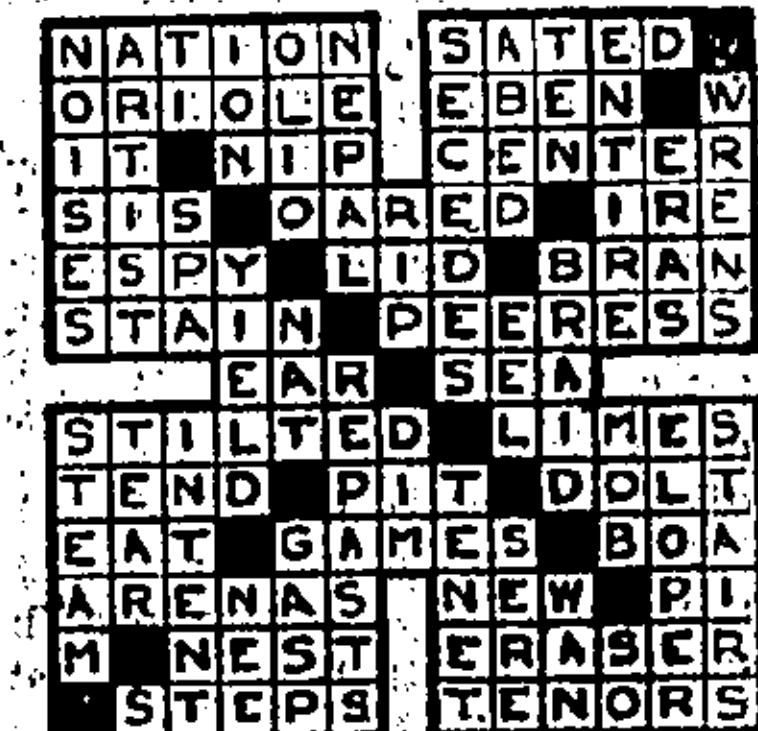
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

A MOTORING PROTECTION.

When motoring first came in most women protected their complexions from the unavoidable wind and dust with chiffon veils (says the "Manchester Guardian"). Now that veils are quite old-fashioned, it is difficult to know what protection to adopt, but a girl seen recently on a motor bicycle was amply protected by a transparent tulle mask. This slipped out from her cap like a bird's beak and came down past her nose, so that, with her head slightly bent, her entire face was screened, and yet she was able to breathe freely and see clearly, both of which are difficult through a veil.

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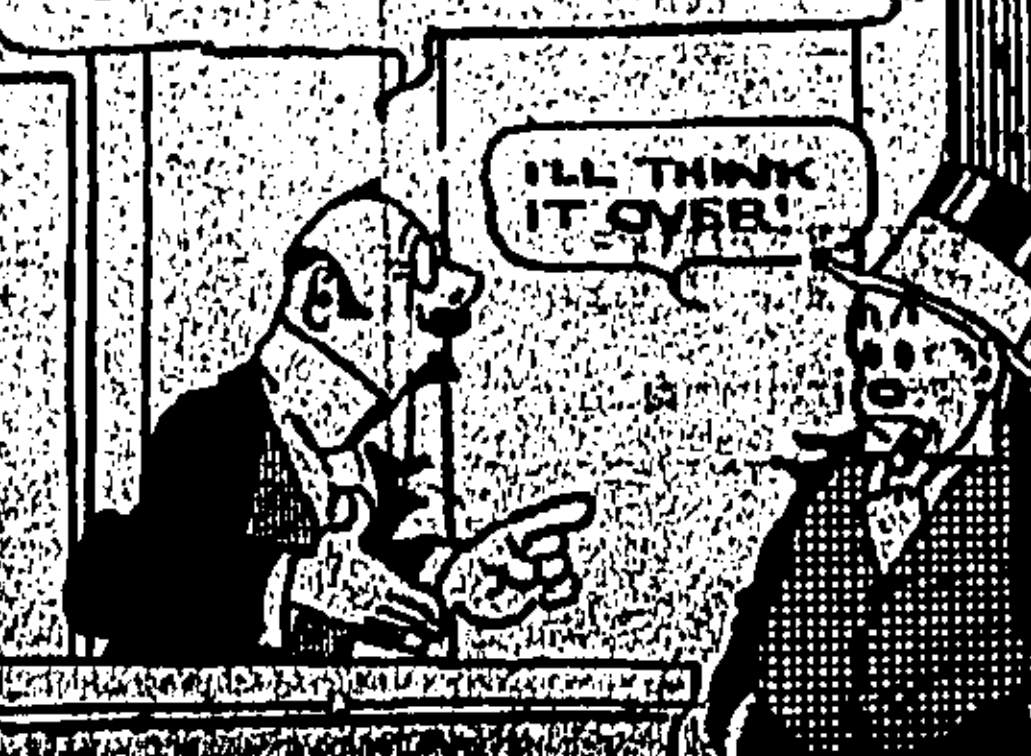
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INDIAN NEWS.

THREE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH.

BRUTALITY OF DACOITS.

Calcutta, Sept. 28. A story of the brutality of dacoits was told before the Sub-divisional Officer at Alipur, in a case in which Surenidhar and three others were charged with arson, dacoity and murder.

The prosecution alleged that the accused and the others on night raided the house of Shamacharan Bhatnagar, of Bistupur. When the dacoits broke open the door of Shamacharan's bedroom, the latter wounded one of the dacoits seriously.

The dacoits then confined Shamacharan, his wife and child in a room and set fire to it. They mounted guard and did not leave the house till the whole room and its contents had been reduced to ashes.

The incinerated remains of the victims were brought out by the police.

The Magistrate committed all four accused for trial at the Sessions.

Communal Representation.

London, Sept. 27.

"The same feelings towards each other, as, for instance, those entertained by the French and Germans, are entertained by the Muslims and the Hindus in India," writes Mr. Theodore Morrison, in a letter to the "Morning Post," in which he supports the argument in favour of communal representation in the Indian Legislative Assembly and the Councils.

He says that the Mohammedans are very apprehensive that the British Parliament, by a change in the Constitution, may abolish communal representation, leaving them at the mercy of a Hindu majority.

"The same theme is dealt with in a long letter in the "Daily Telegraph," by Shaifan Ahmad Khan, a member of the U.P. Council, in which he declares that the British Parliament is committed to the system of communal representation. An overwhelming majority of Mohammedans in India, he adds, regard it as being absolutely vital to their community, as they have no chance of representation without it.

Communal Tension.

Simla, Sept. 27.

Considerable tension prevails in Lahore, Delhi and Northern India, over the arrest and trial of Khudabaksh for the alleged murderous assault on Mr. Rajpal, the author of the "Rangila Rasul" pamphlet.

Government have announced that a plain-clothes detective had been engaged to keep under observation Mr. Rajpal's shop in Lahore and had helped in arresting the assassin.

Accused pleaded not guilty before the Court, and denied all knowledge of how Mr. Rajpal came by his injuries.

The Magistrate then framed charges and the case is proceeding.

[An earlier message stated.—Bombay, Sept. 26.—The "Rangila Rasul" affair had a most sensational sequel at Lahore. It appears that this morning at 9 o'clock, Mr. Rajpal, the author of that pamphlet, was the victim of an alleged murderous attack by a Mohammedan, aged 40. Fortunately, Mr. Rajpal was not fatally injured. It is stated that he was standing at the entrance to his shop in Lahore, along with Swami Vivekanand and Swatantrand, when the alleged would-be assassin rushed up, jumped on Mr. Rajpal, threw him into his shop and stabbed him with a knife, inflicting his victim on the right arm and the left side of his chest. Swami Vivekanand instantly fell upon the assailant and held him in a firm grip, while Swami Vivekanand went for help and brought the police, who came in time to avert an ugly situation and took the accused into custody. Mr. Rajpal's wounds were dressed and he appears to be in no great danger.]

FEAR OF THE DARK.

Mystery Play's Sustained Suspense.

One of the most common of our links with the savage in our nature is our fear of the dark, the cold terror of the unknown. During the dawn of mankind our ancestors withdrew into their rocky caves at the first coming of night.

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PROBLEM OF CHINA.

AN AMERICAN OPINION ON EXISTING CHAOS.

ANTI-FOREIGN FEELING.

Mr. Silas H. Strawn, of Chicago, American delegate to the Peking Tariff Conference of 1926, was entertained at luncheon on Monday, July 25, at the Midland Hotel, Manchester, by the President and Board of Directors of the Chamber. Amongst those present were members of the English-speaking Union who had been invited to join with the Chamber in the function.

The President's Welcome.

Mr. W. E. Thompson, President of the Chamber, proposing the health of the guest, said it was a very great pleasure to welcome Mr. Strawn to Manchester. When Mr. Strawn accepted their invitation they felt it was a very great honour. He had received from Lord Derby a letter in which his lordship asked him specially to apologise to Mr. Strawn for his inability to be present on that occasion, and regretting very much that he could not meet so important a visitor from America. He did not know whether that was Mr. Strawn's first visit to Manchester. In Manchester they knew him as an important lawyer in the City of Chicago, and they were glad to know that he tempered law with business, since he was the Chairman of a distributing house of considerable magnitude. Mr. Strawn had represented his country on many important occasions, and had represented it with distinction. It added to their pleasure in meeting him that day to know that he was associated with their Director, Sir Kenneth Stewart, on the Tariff Commission in China. He (the President) had had the pleasure of meeting him at the Conference of International Chambers of Commerce at Stockholm recently, and was glad to know that on that occasion Mr. Strawn was the Chairman of the American Tariff Barriers Committee and accorded support to their point of view. He thought such conferences as they had at Stockholm did more good than appeared on the surface.

Our Ties With America.

As Mr. Strawn knew, Manchester and Lancashire had always been keenly interested in and highly appreciative of good relations between Great Britain and the United States. They were linked together by sentimental ties, and also by ties of trade, because Manchester and Lancashire were consumers of large quantities of American cotton. For Lancashire's benefit the United States issued fortnightly reports concerning cotton which, he might tell their guest, were always awaited with great interest. He need not tell Mr. Strawn that sometimes those reports were received with a little surprise, and sometimes they caused business men to look back with a little regret. But this great solicitude on the part of America for their education in the cotton trade was necessary and helpful, even though American reports were sometimes received with a little regret. Recently the Chamber had the honour of a visit from Mr. Houghton, the United States Ambassador, who delivered a most inspiring address on the subject of the good relations that existed, and must continue to exist, between the two countries. Mr. Houghton told them that they had a great opportunity, if they only used it wisely. At the half-yearly meeting of the Chamber one of their past Presidents, Sir William Clare Lees, said that Great Britain was perhaps the least understood country in the world. If that was so, some truth in the statement—it was very important that they should make these personal acquaintanceships, and take opportunities such as that to meet distinguished men from the United States.

They knew that Mr. Strawn had played an important part in the foreign affairs of his own country, and they felt that they would very much like to have a friend at court when questions concerning the relations of the two countries arose. They liked to feel that they had friends who, although they might be critical judges of their faults or their virtues, were yet kindly disposed towards them, and he was sure that the influence of Mr. Strawn would be exerted in a kindly way towards them. He was glad to say that a spirit of co-operation and understanding existed between the two countries and their representatives regarding the question of China.

After hearing of Mr. Strawn's work from Sir Kenneth Stewart they in Manchester were highly appreciative of his efforts. They regretted that his work and those who acted with him was to some extent damaged by circumstances that existed in China, but it could not have been altogether in vain. It might yet result in a settlement of world-wide importance. How-

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ever, they knew what a high place Strawn held in his own country, and they felt sure he would be called upon to do still more important work for his own people in the future. Whatever career he might follow in America in the future they would watch with great interest, and on behalf of the assembled company he wished him every success in whatever he might be called upon to do in the future.

Mr. Strawn's Reply.

Mr. Strawn, who was warmly greeted on rising to respond, said he appreciated greatly what had been said about friendly relations between the United States and Great Britain, but on this matter he was an impartial witness, since all his ancestors were British. When he talked to them he could not talk at arm's length; he did not feel that he had any reactions different from theirs, or any different feelings. He believed and always would believe, that the relations between Great Britain and the United States should be such as led to a perfect mutual understanding. In the final analysis, he would assure them, sympathy was there.

Some years ago he happened to be on the Bosphorus when political and other conditions made the district like the crater of a volcano. He was greatly impressed by the fact that lying in the Bosphorus at that time, without any noise being made about it either in Great Britain or the United States, were 27 British and 23 American warships. These vessels were policing the world. Before then he had felt, but afterwards he was thoroughly convinced, that if ever a day came when a serious difference arose between the United States and Great Britain, that day would mark the beginning of the end of civilisation.

Referring to the International Conference of Chambers of Commerce at Stockholm, which he attended last month, Mr. Strawn said he was greatly impressed by the ability and energy of the representatives from Great Britain, and especially of Sir Arthur Balfour, a forceful personality who called a spade a spade, which was what Americans liked. It was a pleasure, too, the recollection of which he would always cherish, to meet Sir Kenneth Stewart on the Peking Tariff Commission.

The Difficulties of China.

On the subject of China he was really but an amateur. Still, he thought the situation was such that anyone with average intelligence could make a fairly accurate diagnosis after an eleven months' stay. He could prescribe no panacea for the condition of things that existed; he did not believe anyone could do that. Moreover, whatever they might say about China to-day would probably be out of date to-morrow.

One of the difficulties of dealing with China he could illustrate by describing what happened to him and Sir Kenneth Stewart when they went to Peking with the Tariff Commission. As one warring section or another triumphed the Chinese members of the Commission would disappear to take refuge at some foreign concession, and presently he and Sir Kenneth Stewart, who had gone thousands of miles to attend a conference with the Chinese, were left with three innocuous people with backbones about as strong as wet macaroni. (Laughter.) The Chinese representatives were cordial, but they could do nothing. They could make no treaty because there was no Government. There was no semblance of orderly government in China to-day. Sir Kenneth Stewart and he agreed upon a fair tariff scale that was satisfactory to the Chinese experts, but after a time the distinguished Chairman of the Commission ran off to a foreign concession and had not been to Peking since. (Laughter.)

No one could go to China without sympathising with the patient, long suffering Chinese people who were being continuously enslaved by the war lords and the politicians. Eliminate the war lords and the politicians and you would eliminate all anti-foreign feeling. There was not one Chinaman in a hundred who knew anything about foreign imperialism, tariff autonomy, unequal trading, or extra-territoriality, or any of the cries the politicians used to camouflage the injustices they perpetrate upon the people.

The Chinese needed foreigners a great deal more than foreigners needed China. China was a country of greater area than the United States but it had only 7,000 miles of railway compared with 260,000 in the States and 98 per cent. of the people could not read or write. It was difficult to teach the people or to bring order out of chaos. The people were the slaves of the dominant war lords, and they continued in slavery without knowing what it was all about.

The natural tendency was to go in and spank the Chinese, but that would be like spanking a feather-bed. (Laughter.) It would have no effect because there were too many of them. It would cost a great deal more than there was to be got out of it. If the Powers went in together the result would be to solidify the Chinese, and that would mean interminable guerrilla warfare. In no way, as he saw the situation could they go into China by force. But they could not permit irresponsible soldiers and war lords to destroy the lives and property of the Chinese.

It was unfortunate that many missionaries had gone into the interior. Many of the missionaries had done splendid work in China, but some had been indiscreet; for they had talked to the Chinese about unequal treaties, tariff autonomy, and extra-territoriality under the impression that it would help them in their work. The Chinese now said to these missionaries: "You have been talking about these things and there has been no remedy. You must be the advance guard of imperialism. Get out of it."

On the question of unequal treaties, Mr. Strawn said the Anglo-Saxon view and the view of Europeans and of the Japanese was that a treaty held good until it was changed. A contract was good until it was changed. They were ready, willing, and anxious to remedy any unequal treaty with China. Personally he did not think the treaties were unequal, for they were wanted at the time, and were entered into in good faith. But it was the duty of Sir Kenneth Stewart, himself and the rest of them to change some of those treaties. They were willing to give the Chinese all the tariffs that traffic would bear, and they agreed upon a schedule, but when the time came to do business there was nobody there, so that the responsibility for unequal treaties lay really upon the Chinese themselves.

The Chinese Nationalistic Movement.

Alluding to what was called the Nationalist movement in China, Mr. Strawn said the difficulty was that those who belonged to this movement did not understand nationalism as we understood it. They did not understand it in the sense that sent thousands of young fellows to France to die. By them nationalism was interpreted to mean that a man's first duty was his family. The family unit system was the basic difficulty in dealing with China. Whenever a Chinaman got into office he thought it his first duty to rob the Government to benefit his family. For a time the Cantonese movement did well, but then the people in the movement began to quarrel among themselves. Whenever you got the Chinese up to a culminating point at which you conceived it possible to do something and make an agreement, the Chinese must have a row among themselves because of a fear that one or another would get hold of the National Treasury. (Laughter.) Everything was done to make unequal treaties equal. That was the attitude of the United States and Great Britain, if it had been possible to do anything.

He saw no sign of imperialism in China. All attempts at the surrender of extra-territorial rights were made abortive by the failure of the efforts of capable Chinese to frame a system of laws and a judicial system. At the time he and his colleagues were sitting in

Peking trying to draft a report on the surrender of extra-territorial rights the war lords were indiscriminately shooting the judicial officials and any newspaper editors who criticised them. There were highly capable and sincere men in China as judges, but they could do nothing with the swords of the war lords hanging over them.

Patience in the Future Required. The situation was very difficult for those who had business to do in China, but he could only urge patience. No one could predict when order would be restored, but he was afraid a long time must elapse before that happened. The Government was doing all it could to protect their interests; it was policing the treaty ports, and would no doubt do so until order was restored. If they could get rid of the war lords, the politicians, and the half-baked students, there would be no animosity against the foreigners. There were students who engaged with the Soviet to raise hell, but he did not think they need worry about Bolshevism in China, because one never found a Chinaman ready to share his bowl of rice with another Chinaman.

He did not think there was any difference between the United States and Great Britain on the subject of China. Both took the same view, and were going to take joint measures of protection. Of course, he spoke as an individual, and not as an official. His country might not accept all he had said, but he spoke of China as he understood it after eleven months of intensive study. There were only three things they could depend upon in China to-day. One was war, because it was the only industry that paid the war lords. The second was children, because that was their religion. The third was poverty, because that followed the other two. Their Government was doing all it could to protect their interests. They must not criticise it because that was too big a job; moreover, they could not do any trade in any country under the gun. Trade must be done voluntarily. (Applause.)

Vote of Thanks.

Mr. Maxwell Reekie (Chairman of the China Section of the Cham-

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ber) moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Strawn. It was rarely they had such a treat, he said, as they had had in the speech of Mr. Strawn. Few things could be more interesting to them than to hear something about such an important subject from one who knew the subject and spoke of it from the standpoint of a member of a great and friendly nation which knew our faults. Mr. Strawn had indicated how they ought to proceed in China. When Sir Kenneth Stewart came back from China they asked him what sort of people he met there, and the only man Sir Kenneth could talk about was Silas Strawn. When Mr. Thompson came back from Stockholm the only man he could talk about was Silas Strawn. Was there more to be said? He thanked Mr. Strawn warmly for his stimulating and thoughtful address. He thought patience was bound to be their watchword. And it was very nice to think that the United States were ready to help Great Britain in any measure that might be necessary to bring about a better state of affairs in China.

Mr. Strawn, responding to the vote of thanks, said he could only repeat that it was a very great pleasure to him to be present that day. He could not prescribe any remedy for the cure of the ills in China. He could not indicate anything Great Britain might do that she was not already doing. They ought to be proud of the men who were doing their work in that country at the present time. As time went on the United States and Great Britain would perhaps have differences of opinion, but there would be no difference that would be vital. There were rivalries between the two countries. The United States, for instance, had ten golf players that could beat any ten of the golf players of Great Britain, but Great Britain had 200 who could play as well as those ten. Perhaps the reason was that the American ten took the matter more seriously; he supposed it was really a difference between vocation and avocation. At any rate, these friendly rivalries they had in sport were stimulating to the cordial relations that existed between the two countries, and the friendly rivalries that existed in trade also.

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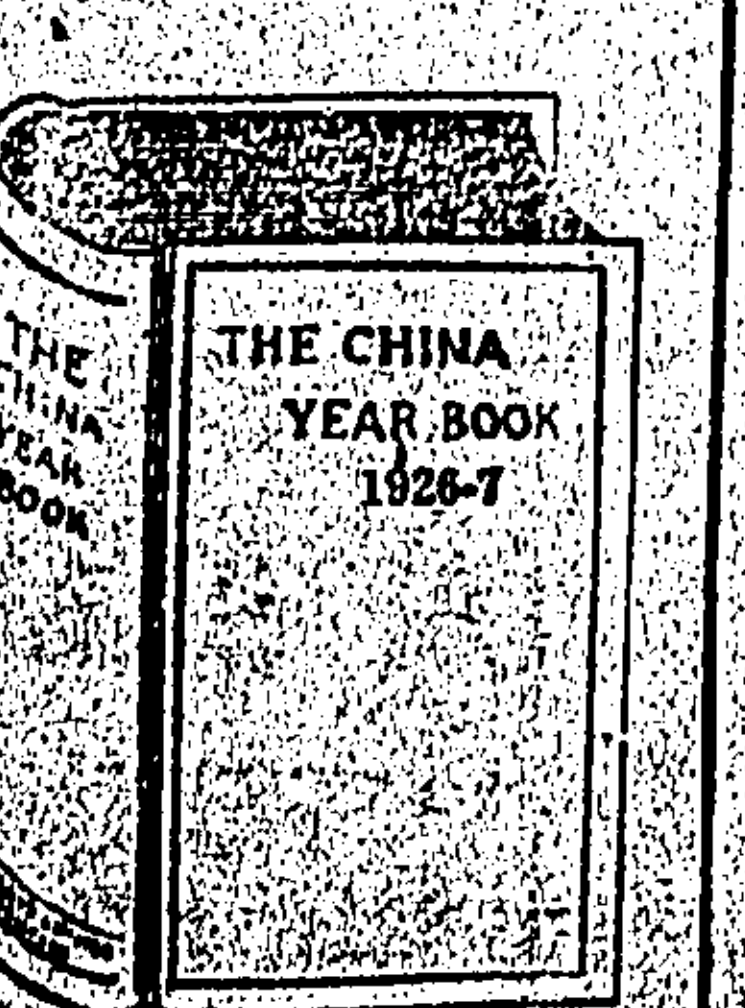
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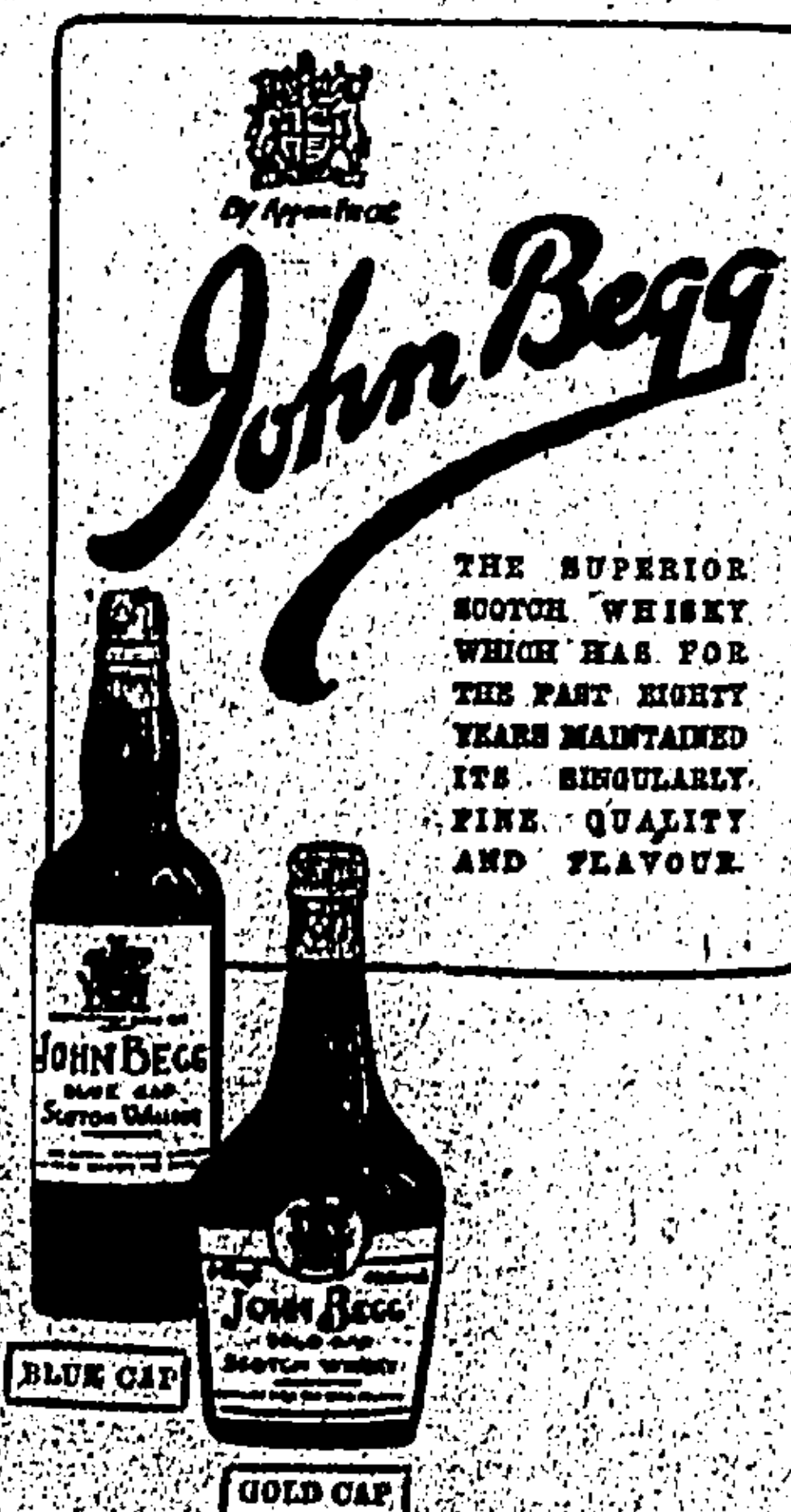
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This week a series of military moves in northern China has led to the Fengtien forces, who are opposing the Shansi troops, taking the offensive, with the result that the fortunes of war have completely turned in favour of Marshal Chang Tso-lin's adherents. These moves are graphically set out in the "Overland Mail," official news agency cables being intelligently supplemented by our staff of Chinese correspondents and observers who are in touch with conditions on the fighting fronts.

Another important phase of the Chinese political and military situation which is dealt with by our correspondents and staff men is the gradual but apparently inevitable change of power which is taking place in Canton. General Li Chai-sun, never considered over masterful or strongly-situated as a leader in the Kwangtung capital, seems to be in process of supplantment by another Southern military chief, Chang Fa-hui, who recently returned to Canton with his famous body of troops known as the "Ironclads." The "Overland" contains, this week, the full story of what is taking place, together with an account of the clash between rival military factions in the city.

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ASTONISHING PROGRESS.

In this article, Lieutenant-Colonel W. Jefferson Davis, special correspondent in Russia of "The Sydney Sun" and the North American Newspaper Alliance records the astonishing scope of Soviet activities in connection with the development of "wireless."

Moscow, July 22.
Soviet Russia, the most backward of countries politically, is far from a back number scientifically. In aviation the Russians produced the largest bombing plane that emerged during the world war, namely, the Sikorsky.

In wireless communications Russia's progress is astonishing to observers. Not one, but a score of foreigners, who have recently visited the country, have found this true.

Necessity is the mother of invention. Russia has great need for both aeroplanes and wireless communications. Her distances are great. There are villages which lie beyond the reach of rails and telegraph wires. Until the advent of the aeroplane and wireless they were reached only on foot, by horse, or water. To bridge the great distances the Russians have used the aeroplane. Moscow is no longer a week's journey by train from the capitals of Europe.

A short night flight from Berlin, leaving the Tempelhof aerodrome at 3 o'clock in the morning, a stop for breakfast at Königsberg; a few moments at Kovno, and the traveller by air is able to dine at Moscow that same evening. Mail now goes to the uttermost reaches of the Volga, the Caucasus, and Siberia regularly.

Moscow Pleasants.

The peasants of the interior hear Moscow nightly by wireless, when they can afford to buy the receiving set. The Government carries on all its communication through its fifty odd stations, as many as are in the rest of Europe combined.

What the Russians have done is to bridge a generation. Instead of following the tedious path of evolution, they have started where the other countries now are—that is, they dispensed with preliminary experiments. Whatever else the Russians may be backward in, they are not backward in seizing the fruits of the labours of other countries.

At the Geneva Radio Congress the one admixture of what may be construed as politics was the insistent demand on the part of the Russian delegates for absolute freedom of the air—"liberty of the ether"—as expressed by the French, and on the principle of equality, as applied to States, under which

each State should be entitled to a number of votes "in proportion to its economic importance."

Russian Misuse of Principle.

"Freedom of the Air," if not misused, is an essential in radio development until air laws are codified. However, there have been instances where the Russians are alleged to have misused this freedom. The interference with, and intentional obstruction of radio broadcasting stations during the transmission from the Daventry General Strike in England last year, and the covert acts of the Russian Government in attempting to start a revolution in Roumania through the broadcasting of its appeals, are, perhaps, the two best known instances of Russia's misuse of the principle of "liberty of the ether."

Financial Aid.
There are many instances which could be cited. Speeches violently against the Constitutions of foreign countries have already been broadcast from the Russian stations in the language of countries against which they were directed.

Fortunately, so far, they have been heard by relatively few, owing to the geographical position of the country and the jamming at great distances by the heavy commercial traffic conducted in Morse in Europe on wave lengths above 1,000 metres.

Russia's need for financial assistance to develop her resources, her air power and wireless communications is very evident. At the moment she is utilising German science and industry, but is seeking financial connections in the United States and elsewhere.

Her participation in the International Economic Conference indicated that she was willing to sacrifice her Marxian political theories for actual results, even if it meant fraternising with hated Capitalism.

Europe's great problem in radio is undoubtedly the attitude of Russia, which is very much alive to the value of broadcasting in a country otherwise weak in communications. Russia has a big radio programme, and is going ahead with the construction of very powerful broadcasting stations.

While Daventry, Radio-Paris, Metrol, Tour Eiffel, Königsberg, Metrol, Berlin, and Hilsenheim are commonly supposed to be the leading broadcasting stations in Europe, and find that Russia, credited with stations of from 1 to 5 Kwts in power, is really constructing, and already operating, stations of from 25 to 40 Kwts.



1. Caribou and hunter from the district of North British Columbia. 2. Hunting in a deer. 3. Killing a moose. 4. Bear about to swim a stream in the Rockies.

Canadian moose and deer hunting seasons are at hand and reports reaching the tourist department of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company there is every indication that one of the best hunting seasons ever will be experienced.

Mike Bates sends down word from his camp at Meisagami, Ontario, that if the hunters don't get their deer and moose this season, they will have nothing to blame but their poor shooting. He says that moose are very plentiful and expects it to be a great year in every way. From Schreiber, Ontario, where John Handel, outfitter, has been operating, the reports are just as reassuring. Handel says that the game has increased in the Superior Game Preserve lying south of the C. P. R. line and is very considerable area and the surplus has crossed to the north of the tracks offering good hunting. He says that caribou are roaming the woods in increased numbers, and the C. P. R. line is the north boundary of the game preserve, hunters don't have to go very far for their quarry.

The news from Spessan's Camp at Lake Umbagog, northwest of Sudbury, is also much to the hunter's advantage. Deer have been reported in the vicinity of the camp, and are said to be very plentiful. Reports turned in by guides of Ontario, where the C. P. R. line is the north boundary of the game preserve, hunters don't have to go very far for their quarry.

The big game inhabitants, according to locality, comprise White sheep, mountain goat, Osborn caribou, moose and three varieties of bear—grizzly, brown and black. Some magnificent trophies of all these species have been obtained in the past.

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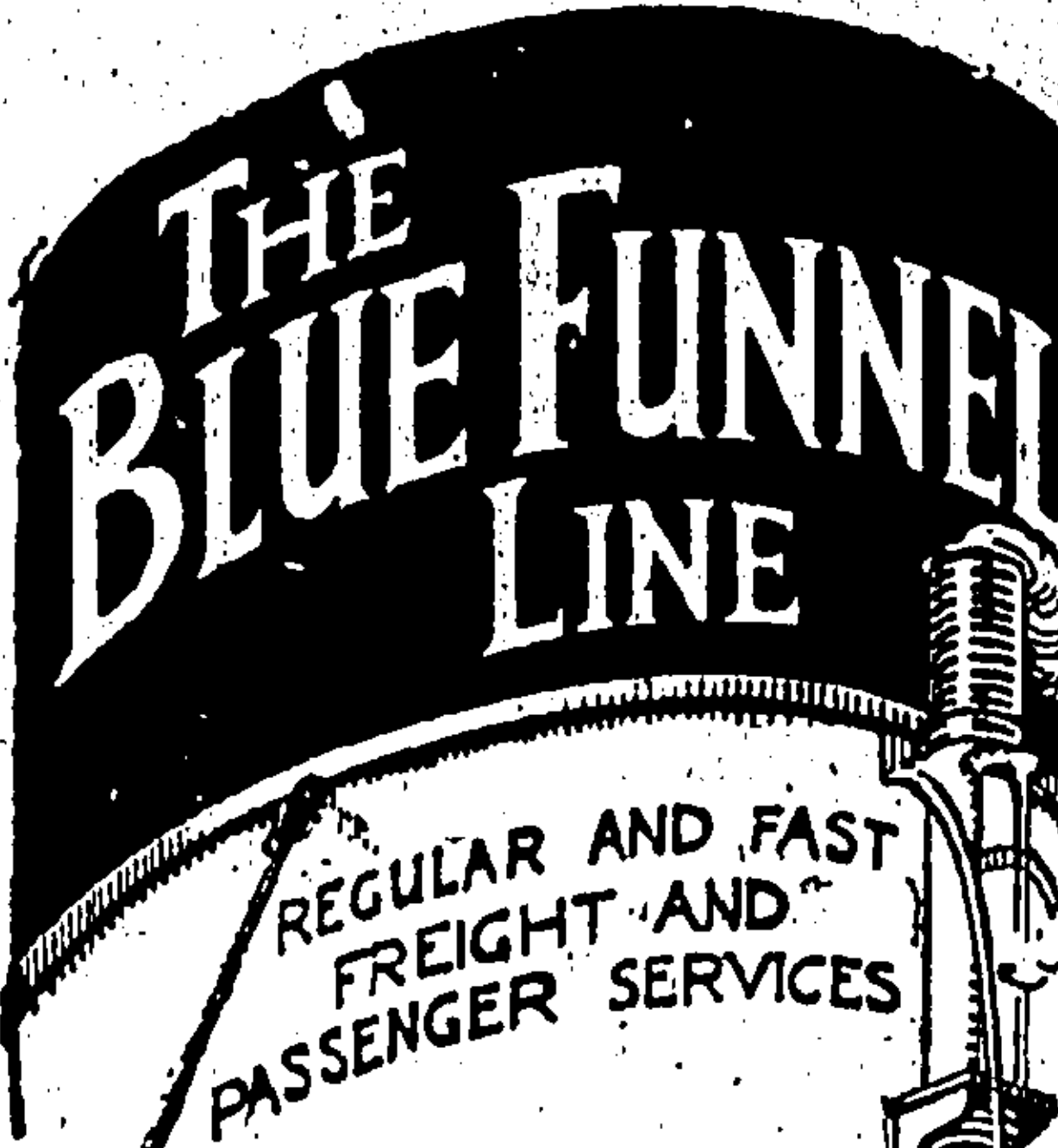
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Amoy		Kum Sang
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MONEY IN FAILURE.

Hawking The Story of A Flight.

PROMOTERS' "WANTS."

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New York, Yesterday. Americans throughout the country are overjoyed of the news of the rescue of Ruth Elder, whose parents were almost in a state of collapse.

After a sleepless night the wife of Haldeman wept with joy and confessed she had cried all night.

The promoters of the flight are attempting to make the utmost profit from the failure. One of the backers has refused to instruct Ruth to cable a despatch to the American papers because "anything she said might ruin the commercial value of her story subsequently. We are going to keep this bottled up until we can sell it. The fliers are instructed to talk to no one."

One promoter asked \$150,000 for the story but only \$1,500 was offered.—Reuter's American Service.

New York, Yesterday.

The connected narrative of the "American Girl's" adventures in the Atlantic was wirelessed by Captain Goos of the "Barndrecht" and tells that Ruth Elder and Haldeman encountered a storm zone but emerged triumphant after fighting the elements for eight hours. They were driven out far southward of the intended course. The mishap revealed itself when the oil pressure gauge began to drop and it was discovered that a feed pipe was fractured.

The aviators continued to fly the best they could for five hours in momentary fear of the pistons jamming. Then when 350 miles from the Azores they joyfully sighted the "Barndrecht" and alighted alongside the tanker, which they boarded at 10.30 yesterday morning.

The sailors made fast the plane and the intrepid girl and her companion clambered aboard "well but fatigued."

Capt. Goos attempted to salvage the aeroplane, which up to then was undamaged, but probably through petrol spilling on the overheated engine, the petrol tanks ignited and two explosions followed. The monoplane was soon a mass of flames and the captain was obliged quickly to sheer off in consequence of the inflammable character of his cargo and the aeroplane was completely burned out. It is estimated that the "American Girl," which was in the air 41 hours 26 minutes, was 600 miles away from Europe and covered 2,600 miles.—Reuter's American Service.

STEAMERS DELAYED.

INTERRUPTION OF CANTON SERVICE.

CREWS ATTEND CONFERENCE.

Owing to the crew leaving the ships to attend the Chinese Seamen's Union Conference in Canton, the steamship service between Hong Kong and Canton was interrupted yesterday. Neither the morning boat from Canton nor the afternoon boat were able to leave until the Conference was concluded.

The two Steamboat Company's vessels affected, the "Kinsan" and the "Leungshan" also the "Paul Bean" and "Tung On" arrived in Hong Kong late last night as a result.

In addition to vital questions affecting the constitution of the Seamen's Union, other matters under consideration at the Conference in Canton were the action of the Kongmoon Chinese Seamen's Union in opposing the decision of the Canton Seamen's Union in relation to the pilot of the "San Nam" which led to the crew of that vessel being called out at Hong Kong and the dispute between the Chinese and Cantonese seamen of the "Donghai" and other vessels.

CANTON HARMONY.

But Wong Wants To Go Back To Kwangsi.

THE SWATOW PROBLEM.

Temporary War Council To Rule Kwangtung.

An offshoot of the supposed discord in Canton's highest military circles has made itself apparent in Swatow.

Changes in the garrison were reported yesterday.

Unofficial news from Swatow is that the power there is slipping away from Commander Wong Tsun, the district Defence Commissioner. Those who are alleged to disagree with him have also received their appointments from Canton.

According to those who believe that changes at Swatow are impending, fault has been found with Commander Wong Tsun because he fled from the port when the Communist invaders arrived.

Evidence of Harmony.

General Hsieh Yuo (Sit Ngok in Cantonese) is alleged to be antagonistic to the Defence Commissioner. Both fought for Canton against the Communists. While Hsieh Yuo took part in the pursuit, the Defence Commissioner re-entered into possession and held the fort.

Whether Swatow is involved in a crisis or not, the trouble can hardly be attributed to the present situation in Canton.

The highest generals in Canton still profess and show evidence of complete harmony.

General Chang Fah-hui, the commander of the Ironsides, and his second-in-command, General Wong Ki-cheung, have called on General Wong Shiu-hung, the governor of Kwangsi province, who fought for Canton against the Communists at Swatow.

Gen. Wong Shiu-hung.

Wong Shiu-hung is closely connected with General Li Chai-sum, the commander-in-chief at Canton. However, he announces that his troops have been strenuously engaged for some time and must therefore be repatriated to Kwangsi for a period of rest. For this reason, he cannot assume further responsibility in Kwangtung.

General Li Chai-sum has also tried to prevail on Wong Shiu-hung to remain in Kwangtung. The Ironsides also declare that they wish Wong Shiu-hung to stay.

Temporary War Council.

A temporary war council, to control the administration of Kwangtung, has been authorised by the provincial branch of the Kuomintang political council, the highest nominal authority under the Nationalist regime. Very wide powers have been defined and all the fighting arms will be under the war council.

In spite of all this, General Wong Shiu-hung is still bent on sending his troops back to Kwangsi, and the march is expected to take a fortnight. One brigade is already on the move.

The proposal of the Canton Government to reduce farm rents by 25 per cent has been brought up again. The Government's plan is to let the farmer benefit to the extent of half the reduction (out of the rent payable to the landlord), the other half to go towards providing capital for a Farmers' Bank.

SEAMAN DROWNED.

FELL OVERBOARD FROM "WITHERINGTON"

KUANG FATALITY.

A wireless message has been received from Kuang notifying the death by drowning of Able Seaman Charles Elderton attached to the destroyer H.M.S. "Witherington."

Elderton fell overboard by misadventure on Wednesday. He was unmarried and his home is at Forest Gate, London.

ARTS ASSOCIATION.

The Arts Association of the University is holding a dinner in the Great Hall at 7.45 to-night. Professor B. E. M. Stimson will be the chief speaker.

NON-INTERFERENCE.

Canton Generals And Seamen.

POLICY OF WAIT.

Ironsides Said To Have Leftist Political Views.

Neither General Li Chai-sum (the commander-in-chief) nor General Chang Fah-hui (chief of the Ironsides) is expected to interfere in the disturbances caused by the seamen in Canton as the outcome of yesterday's conference.

The city police did not intervene and the military are not likely to do anything until the radicals, who have now returned to power, run foul of the generals.

The radicals have been active because the Ironsides' political views coincided with theirs in some respects. The moderates were elevated to power by General Li Chai-sum's officials after the anti-Red coup last Easter. This does not mean that Canton's two leading generals will be involved in a clash.

Stormy Conference.

Yesterday's conference was very stormy. The presence of crews of the Hong Kong steamers was not desired by the Union officials but they were encouraged to go by the radicals. In the afternoon, a fight broke out at the Seamen's Union in Taping Maloo, ending up with several casualties on the moderates' side.

Recent incidents were pointed to by the radicals as evidence of the moderates' inefficiency, for example, the dispute with the Union's branch at Kongmoon, and the refusal of one coasting crew in Hong Kong to hand over to another.

The radicals can be expected to resume agitation.

Leftist agitators are drifting back to Canton city hoping for the Ironsides' protection. The Leftist general labour union, previously suppressed, is moving for the liberation of all its members.

Strike Movement.

Meanwhile, news has been received in Hong Kong labour circles that the Canton Government intends paying the demobilisation bonus to the "Canton-Hong Kong strikers" to wind up the Strike movement. Dormitories and free meals will be abolished. The bonus promised is \$100 per head, of which \$10 has been paid.

THE MOTOR SHOW.

OPENING IN GREAT SUCCESS.

BUSINESS FOR BRITAIN.

London, Yesterday. The Motor Show at Olympia, which opened yesterday, is attracting large crowds. It is estimated that 12,000 were present to-day. A feature was the large proportion of those who did not arrive in cars, but were evidently prospective buyers, who waited in long queues for admittance. British manufacturers were unanimous in expressing their satisfaction with the business being done.

Representatives of some firms producing six cylinders cars costing less than £400 declare that their factories will have to be enlarged on account of big sales. These cars, they say, have won the ground previously monopolised by American cars. But while it is in cheaper cars that home manufacturers are scoring heavily, makers of expensive cars are doing almost equally well. Indeed they are agreeably surprised at their success in view of competition.

The Show promises, in general opinion, a year of unprecedented business in the motor industry.—British Wireless Service.

BRITISH TYPEWRITERS.

London, Yesterday. The New Zealand Government have placed an order for typewriter contracts with a British company. Last year this was equivalent to 2,000 machines.—British Wireless Service.

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